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THE DOTTERER FAMILY.

BY
HENRY S. DOTTERER.

*"The history of every family is a romance; to those who search
its pages, a poem."*

Lamartine.

PHILADELPHIA:

1903.

"The grand-parents are gone, the fathers are going; the history of their toils and achievements is beginning to swim in half-uncertain twilight, and there is but barely time to record the doings of their life's day before the oblivious night sets in, when records and traditions will no more recognize one another."

Rev. Henry Harbaugh, D. D.



PREFACE.

This work covers a field never before entered by the genealogist. Although it represents a vast expenditure of labor, patience and money, it is imperfect in a great degree. Its defects are not altogether chargeable to the compiler, but rather to the destruction of German records by English-speaking descendants, to lack of interest in the subject of family history, and to misconception of the scope and dignity of the undertaking.

The information embraced in these pages has been obtained from many sources—from official records, church registers, grave-stones, family Bibles, and personal interviews. To the many correspondents who have collected and forwarded details, sincere thanks is tendered. In a number of instances credit is given in the body of the work. It would be a pleasure to make acknowledgment in every case, but that is impracticable.

HENRY S. DOTTERER.

1605 North Thirteenth street,
Philadelphia,
November, 1902.

PART I.

GEORGE PHILIP DODDERER AND HIS
DESCENDANTS.

PROBABLE ETYMOLOGY OF THE FAMILY NAME.

In the Teutonic name system, the root having the meaning of affection or fondness may be:

DOD, TOD, TOT

This root, in its simple forms, is

Old German, DODO, DODDO.

English, TODD, DODD.

Compounded, it becomes,

(with HARI, warrior), in Old German, 9th century, DOTHARI.

with RIC, power), in Old German, 9th century, DOTRIH.

In English, DOTRY, DODDRIDGE, DOTTRIDGE.

1. GEORGE PHILIP DODDERER¹. Born in Europe; died, in Frederick township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania, November 6, 1741. His wife, Veronica——, died, same place, October 20, 1752. Children:

2. Michael Dotterer², born in May, 1698.
3. Hieronimus Doderer², born about 1701.
4. Barbara Dodderer², born about 1704.
5. Bernhard Dodderer², born about 1706.
6. Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², born December 25, 1709.
7. Conrad Duddarer², born in September, 1712.

The birthplace of George Philip Dodderer, and the date of his arrival in America, notwithstanding diligent search, have not been ascertained. The place of origin of the Dotterer family remains to be definitely determined.

December 22, 1722, George Philip Dodderer purchased of Hans Neues one hundred acres of land; February 3, 1725, of the same, fifty acres; and March 24, 1738, of the Proprietaries, one hundred acres. These three purchases were adjoining tracts, forming a plantation of two hundred and fifty acres of fertile land, located on the east and west sides of Society Run, in the present Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, north of and within half a mile of Keeler's church. He resided upon this property until his death, and, as shown by his will, devised it to his youngest son, Conrad.

In the first and second conveyances the grantee is described as "George Philip Duddra, of Falkner's Swamp, in the county of Philadelphia, and Province of Pennsylvania, Carpenter," and in the last as "George Philip Totherah, of the County of Philadelphia." Here are seen two of the many variations employed by the scribes of that time in spelling the family name. Hans Neues (De Nyce, Nice, Nyce) was a large land-owner; he was not a dweller upon the lands he sold to George Philip Dodderer, but a resident of the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia. Tradition avers that George Philip Dodderer was the first settler on the banks of Society Run, and that the Indians were the only neighbors of himself and family at the beginning.

In the tax list of Frederick township, for 1734, George Philip Dodderer is returned as owner of 150 acres of land.

In the movements for the development of the newly settled country George Philip Dodderer took an active part. In March, 1725, he and two of his sons signed a petition to the County Court at Philadelphia, praying that the road recently laid out to the point on the Perkiomen Creek where afterwards Pennypacker's Mills stood (now Schwenksville) be extended to the northern end of Sprogell's tract, where George Wanner's mill stood on Swamp Creek. Their signatures were written, Georg filib Dodderer, Hironimus Doderer, and Michell Doderer. In March 1731, Georg Philip

Dodderer and his son, Hanns Michell Doderer, were among the petitioners for the erection of Frederick township.

By act of Assembly of the Province of Pennsylvania, May 19, 1739, confirmed by the King in Council, May 12, 1740, George Philip Dotterer became a naturalized subject of Great Britain.

A short time before his death, George Philip Dodderer made his will. It was in these words:

HIS WILL.

In the name of God Amen the 19th day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty one I George Philip Doderer of Frederick Township in the County of Philadelphia and province of Pennsylvania, husbandman, being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto God Therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and commend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Wordly Estate Wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give and devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Imprimus it is my Will and I do order that in the first place all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied. Item I give and bequeath unto Uronica my beloved wife the house wherein I now do dwell with all the moveable goods, cash, dues and demands Whatsoever to me doth belong and the orchard with the land thereto belonging adjoining to the aforesaid house. The aforesaid cash dues and demands I do give to her, her heirs and assigns forever The house and moveables orchard and land aforesaid I do give to her during her natural life the corn now cleaned & in straw belonging to me I give to her to do with the same as she chooses. Item, I give to my beloved youngest son Conrad Doderer All That my plantation with all the lands, houses, barn and outhouses as also the house orchard and land which I gave to my wife during her life to him his heirs and assigns forever in fee simple he the said Conrad my youngest son or his Heirs, Executors or Administrators paying to my other three Children and my Children's Children hereafter named, that is to say to my eldest son Michael Dodderer the full sum of Thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence lawful money of Pennsylvania or to his heirs or assigns to be paid in manner following, That is to say Ten pounds thereof to be paid within one month's time after mine and my wife's death and Ten pounds within one year next after that and Thirteen pounds six shillings and eight pence within one year next after the aforesaid two years and unto my son Barrant Dodderer likewise he the said Conrad shall pay Thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence in manner following, that is to say Ten pounds within three years next after my and my wife's death and Ten pounds within five years after their said death and thirteen pounds six shillings and eight pence within seven years after their said death, and unto my daughter Anna he the said Conrad shall pay the full sum of Sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence to be paid in two equal payments Eight pounds six shillings and eight pence within five years after their said death and the remainder within six years after their said death, and he the said Conrad shall pay or cause to be paid unto my daughter Anna her children which she had by her first husband the full sum of Sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and eight pence when the youngest of the said children is at the age of twenty one years, and the said Conrad shall pay or cause to be paid unto my Grand

Children Vrone and Agnes the full sum of Thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence, that is to say unto Vrone nineteen pounds three shillings and four pence and unto the said Agnes Fourteen pounds three shillings and four pence within ten years after the death of the testator and his wife, and the said Conrad shall pay unto my grand children that is to say my daughter Barbara's children the full sum of Thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence when the youngest shall be at the age of Eighteen years or within three months after. I also will that my said son Conrad shall pay yearly and every year during the life of my wife aforesaid Twenty shillings in Cash and deliver unto her yearly eight bushels of wheat and four bushels rye and thirty pounds butter and deliver her firewood during her life and keep and winter one cow and sheds for her, also during her life furthermore I will that if my Son Conrad should decease before the legacies of the grand-children aforementioned be paid that then they shall tarry for the same until the said Conrad's children shall be able to pay the same or cause to be paid. Item, I give unto my son aforesaid all the moveable goods after my wife's death.

Lastly, I do make and ordain my Sons Michael Dodderer and Barrant Dodderer to be my only and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannull all and every other former Testament, Wills, Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before this time named, willed and bequeathed. Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

GEORGE PHILIP DODDERER.



Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Testator as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of the subscribers.

(Viz') PHILIP HANN.

JOHN NYCE.

Philadelphia December the first 1741 there personally appeared Philip Hann and John Nycé the witnesses to the within written will and on their solemn affirmation according to law did declare they saw and heard George Philip Dodderer the testator within named sign, seal, publish and declare they saw and heard to be his last Will and Testament and that at the doing thereof he was of sound mind, memory and understanding to the best of their knowledge.

Coram.

PET: EVANS: REG: GENLL.

Be it remembered, That on the first day of December 1741. The Last Will and Testament of George Philip Dodderer deceased was proved in due form of law and probate and Letters Testamentary were granted unto Michael Dodderer and Barrant Dodderer the two Executors in the said Will named, They being first sworn well and truly to administer the said dec'd's Estate and to bring a true and perfect Inventory thereof into the Regist. Genll^e Office at Philadelphia, at or before the first day of January next and a just and true account where thereunto lawfully reg^d. Given under the seal of the said Office.

P: PET: EVANS: R: G.

An inventory and appraisement of his real and personal property was made by two of his neighbors, as follows:

INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT.

A trew and Parfect Inventory of the Estate of George Phillip Dodderer, of fredrick Township in Philadelphia County Deceased the 8 day of November A: D: 1741. he not long before his Death Made his Last Will and Testament which was Proved before Mis^r Peter Evans, Register Ginral at Philad^a on the first Day of December Last Past.

	£	s.	d.
To Apparel	6	6	3
To Books	2	7	6
To 2 Sables one bridle and one horse	3	15	0
To one Grenstone and 3 Saws	2	2	0
To 4 Shovels 5 hoes 2 hooks and 3 forks	1	0	0
To 3 Siths one bell 2 hammers and one anvil	0	19	0
To 5 Pitching axes 2 brod axes and one hachitt	0	19	0
To one bell one hammer one Goudge and one trule one ax	0	10	0
To one half bushel Mall Rings 3 Wedge one hatchet one ads	0	18	6
To 6 ogres 3 chisels one Rasp	0	11	6
To one hammer Prushers chisel bell 2 Droying Knifs & Saw	0	10	6
To 4 Sickels and old Iren	0	6	0
To 3 Ridels one straw knife one pot hangers and two potts	1	3	6
To 5 Pans one Skimmer and one flesh fork	1	11	0
To puter and Earthin Ware	1	4	10
To one Churn 5 pals and 8 Wooden Trenshers	0	8	10
To 3 tubs 2 barls and 5 Kadgs	0	16	0
To 2 Drusers 22 sacks and 10 bushels Oats	2	13	6
To 2 hodgeds one Chest one Spinning Wheal & 3 baskets	0	13	6
To 2 guns one Sword one tancard one Cup & bottle	1	5	0
To one Wip Saw one looking Glass and one lamp & lantron	1	0	6
To 2 Chests and one Cow	2	15	0
To 80 bushels of Goo Wheat	12	0	0
To 30 bushels of Oats	2	5	0
To Cash bonds and Demands	58	15	0
To the Plantation containing 250 acres with the buildings	200	0	0
To 15 bushels of Rey	2	5	0
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Praised the 12 Day of December 1741 by
us whose hands are hereunto Set.

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JNO NYCE HENRY H STETLER

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Exhibited the 18th Dec^r 1741.

Veronica Dodderer, the widow of George Philip Dodderer, survived her husband less than eleven years. She made a will on the 8th of June, 1751. It was written in German. It was translated as follows:

THE WIDOW'S WILL.

Whereas I Verony Doderer now pretty old and the substance of my body very much decaying not noing whether I have on other day in this world to live but am yet in perfect mind & memory thanks be unto God therefore and in his mercifull Hands I recommend my body and soul and I am very desirous to have peace among my children after my death with my little worldly Estate I leave behind me for that reason I witness hereby with my whole mind that is to say first of all it is my Will that my son Conrad shall keep all that which he was indebted to me to himself and pay nothing to the rest of my children of that he was Indebted to me. Secondly my sons wife Anna Maria Doterer shall have one of my biggest pieces of Gold and that first of all for her great kindnesses she did unto me, thirdly all the money & Bonds which I leave behind me after my Death shall the rest of my 5 Children, that is to say Michael and Bernhard and all the Children of my deceased Son and Daughter as also the Children of my Daughr Anna shall be divided among them in equal shares I say it shall be divided in five parts and every one of my Children and as I have said their Children shall have a share when first my Sons Michael & Bernhard is paid for their Executors Charges which I hereby witness with my hand and subscription this 8th day of June 1751.

Henrich Antes.

P. Hannes Huebner.

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VERONY X DODDERER.
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McCalls Mannor 9th December 1752, Then personally appeared John Heebner one of the witnesses to ye within Codicil & on his oath did declare that he saw and heard Veronia Doderer widow the Testatrix therein named sign publish & Declare the same Codicil for and as her last Will and Testament, and that at the doing thereof she was of sound mind, memory and understanding to ye best of his knowledge and that Henry Antes the other Witness thereto did also subscribe his name as a Witness in presence of & at ye request of ye Testatrix. Coram.

JOHN CAMPBELL, by Authority from
William Plumsted, Regr. Genl.

Veronica Dodderer having omitted to name an executor in her will, Michael Dodderer, her son, was appointed administrator of her estate.

William Plumsted, Regr. Genl., &c.

To Michl. Doddërer Son of Veronica Dodderer decd.
Greeting.

Whereas the said Veronica Dodderer in her life time made a Certain writing or Codicil under her hand bearing date the Eighth day of June 1751, purporting her last Will and Testament (a true Copy whereof is hereunto annexed) but named no Executors thereof she the said decd having whilst she lived and at the time of her death divers good Rights and Credits within the said Province by means whereof the full disposition and power of Granting the Administration of all & singular the goods Rights and Credits which were of said decd, within the said Province and also the auditing the accounts Calculations and Reckonings of the said Admr. and the Probation and Approbation of the said Codicil to me manifestly known to belong. I desiring that the goods, rights and Credits which were of the said decd may be well and truly administered Do hereby Grant unto you the said Michael Doderer (in whose fidelity in this behalf I very much confide) by the Tenor of these presents to administer the goods rights and credits which were of the said decd within the said Province and also to ask Collect, Levy, recover and receive the credits whatsoever of the said decd, which at ye time of her death were owing or to her in any way belong and to pay the debts in which the said decd stood obliged so far forth as the said goods, Rights and Credits will extend according to their Rate and Order of Law Especially of well and truly administering the goods, rights and Credits which were

of the said deced, and making a true and perfect inventory thereof and Exhibiting the same into ye Regr. Genls. Office at Philadelphia at or before ye 9th day of January next & rendering a true acct., calculation or reckoning of ye said Administration at or before ye 10th day of December anno 1753 and I do by these presents ordain Constitute & Depute you the said Michl. Dodderer Adminr. of all and singular ye goods Rights and Credits of the said Deced. within the Limits aforesd, with the writing or Codicil aforesaid annexed, Saving harmless and forever indemnifying me and all other officers against all other persons whatsoever by reason of your administration aforesaid and saving to all others their Rights.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Philadelphia ye 9th day of December Anno 1752.

WM. PLUMSTEAD, R. GENL.

The inventory of her estate was exhibited, March 2, 1753, as follows:

Inventory of the Estate of Veronica Dodderer, Widow, deceased

Octor. 20th 1752.

Impr. Due by George Michael Coon p Bond	£30 0 0
a year Interest thereof	1 16 0
Item a Note of George Timernan	14 0 0
a years Interest thereof	0 16 4
Cash in her Chest in paper money	£7 0 0
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this besides the p ^r gold will ^d to her daughter	
Due to her by Barnabas Doderer	10 0 0
Due to her by Michael Doderer	20 0 0

Michael Dotterer, Adminr. £87 2 10

The administrator rendered his account 25th Feb^r, 1754. He made payments amounting to £60 2 10, leaving for distribution to the heirs £27 0 0. The disbursements were:

Cash paid for Funeral Charges as p particular account	5 16 0
trouble of Nursing and Attending the Deceased in her Sickness being twenty-two months	24 0 0
Cash to John Campbell for the office fees 25 / and 15 / for his trouble	2 0 0
D ^o for trouble said Michael and Barnabas Doderer had in Managing their fathers Estate which said Verony Doderer his Widow has Ordered by her Will to be paid now out of the Estate	20 0 0
Commissions on £87 Inventory @ 10 p Ct.	8 6 10
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	£60 2 10

The distribution of £27 was made

To Michael Doderer for his $\frac{1}{3}$ of 27£	5 8 0
To Barnabas Doderer for his $\frac{1}{3}$	5 8 0
To Eronimus (Catharina crossed out) Doderer deceased his children $\frac{1}{3}$	5 8 0
To Barbara Markell deceased her Children $\frac{1}{3}$	5 8 0
To Ann Gurr her Children by Mic. Timernan her first husband deceased	5 8 0

A transcript of a declaration signed by the three brothers is given below. It is written on the back of their mother's will. It bears distinctly the neatly written autograph of each son, and is remarkable for the variation in the spelling of the family name:

DECLARATION.

On the 7th Decem^r 1753 Michael Doderer and Barnabas Doderer Executors of the last Will and Testament of George Phillip Doderer their father deceast Did Declare that Conform and in Obedience to the said Will of their said father deceast They Divided the Goods of their fathers Estate without Sale in three Equall parts Between them and Conrad Doderer their Brother, Being such Goods as Veronica Doderer the widow did not Stand in need of and this was don about a month or five Weeks after their fathers death exactly conform to the Testators Will and for which they did not Charge any Commission at the time.

Coram
Jn^o Campbell

Michel Dotterer
BARNABAS DODDERER
CONRAD D'UDDARER

At the bottom of the foregoing declaration is written, without explanation, the following:

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CHURCH CONNECTION.

George Philip Dodderer was attached to the Reformed Church brought here from Germany. In July, 1728, his name—George Philip Totterer—is one of those signed to a letter to the Reformed Church authorities at New York asking for the ordination of John Philip Bœhm to the ministry and the legalization of his previous ministerial acts. He was then an officer of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation. This request, after conference between the New York and Holland church officers, was complied with, at New York, November 23, 1729. But soon after this he withdrew his adherence to Rev. Mr. Bœhm. Apparently he joined the small congregation at Skippack who accepted as their pastor Rev. George Michael Weiss, the opponent of John Philip Bœhm. May 10, 1730, he signed, with others, a petition to the Holland authorities, asking for the nullification of the recent ordination of Mr. Bœhm. On the 19th of May, 1730, as an

elder of the Skippack congregation, he signed a paper authorizing Rev. George Michael Weiss and Elder Jacob Reiff to proceed to Europe to collect money for the Reformed congregations in Pennsylvania. The sending of these two men to Europe for the purpose stated was contrary to the wishes of Mr. Boehm. About the year 1736, the name George Philip Dotder appears in a list of heads of families belonging to the New Goshenhoppen Reformed congregation, then having for its pastor Rev. John Henry Goetschy.

DEED FOR FIRST LAND PURCHASE.

This Indenture, Made the twenty second day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty two, between Hans Newes of the Northern Liberties of the City of Philadelphia in the Province of Pennsylvania, Yeoman, and Yonecan his wife of the one part. And George Philip Duddra of Falkners Swamp in the County of Philadelphia in the said Province, Carpenter, of the other part. Witnesseth, That the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty one pounds lawful money of America to them in hand paid by the said George Philip Duddra at and before the ensealing and delivery hereof the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof do acquit and forever discharge the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns by these presents, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Philip Duddra. A Certain Tract or piece of land situate in the same county. Beginning at a post being a corner of James Steel's land thence by the same South east Eighty perches to a post, thence by the land of Henry Grubb North east Two hundred perches to a small White Oak sapling thence by other land of the said Hans Newes North west eighty perches to a post, thence by the said Newes' land South West Two hundred perches to the place of beginning. Containing One hundred acres. Together also with all and singular the ways, woods, underwoods, waters, water-courses, meadows, swamps, rights, liberties, privileges, improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof. To have and to hold the said tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns, To the only proper use and behoof of the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns forever Under the yearly Quit Rent hereafter accruing for the same to the Chief Lord of the Fee thereof. And the said Hans Newes and his heirs the said Tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns against him the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife his heirs and assigns, and against all and every other person and persons whatsoever shall and will Warrant and forever Defend by these presents. And the said Hans Newes for himself his heirs, executors and administrators doth covenant promise and grant to and with the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns by these presents in manner following, that is to say, that he the said Hans Newes at the time of the sealing and delivery of this present Indenture is the true, sole, and lawful owner and proprietor of the said tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances, and is lawfully rightfully and absolutely seized thereof and every part and parcel thereof as of a good sure, absolute and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in fee simple, without any condition, contingent proviso, limitation or other restraint matter or thing whatsoever to alter defeat or determine the same. And that he the said Hans Newes will continue so seized of the demises and of every part thereof until a good sure perfect and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in fee simple shall be thereof vested in the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns according to the purport and true meaning of these presents. And that free and clear and freely and clearly acquitted and discharged of and from all and all manner of former and other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, Leases, Mortgages, Joyntures, Dowers, Wills, Intails, Annuities, Rents, Arrearages of Rent, Titles, Charges and Incumbrances whatsoever (The Quit Rent aforesaid and as hereafter accruing only excepted and preferred) And that he the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife and his heirs and all and every other person and persons whatsoever having or lawfully

claiming or that shall or may at any time or times hereafter so have or claim any Estate, Right Title or Interest of in or to the Premises or any part or parcel thereof Shall and will at any time or times hereafter upon the reasonable request cost and charges in law of the said George Philip Duddra his heirs or assigns make execute and acknowledge or cause so to be all and every such further and other reasonable Act and Acts, Deed or Deeds, Devise or Devises in law whatsoever for the further and better assurance and confirmation of the said Tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns as by him or them or by his or their council learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised, advised or required.

In Witness Whereof, the said parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals, dated the day and year above written.

Sealed and Delivered in the
presence of us. By the said
Hans Newes & Yonecan his
wife.
Cha. Osborne
Jos. Watson

HANS NEWES { SEAL }

her
YONECAN X NEWES { SEAL }
mark

Be it Remembered, That the twenty second day of December Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and twenty two at Philadelphia, before me Robert Assheton one of the Justices of the Peace of the city and county of Philadelphia came the within named Hans Newes in his proper person and brought this writing or conveyance which he acknowledged to be his deed and desired that the same may be Inrolled or Recorded as his deed according to an Act of Assembly of this Province lately made and provided. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

ROB. ASSHETON { SEAL }

Recorded the 22nd day of December 1722. Deed Book F 3, page 330.

DEED FOR SECOND LAND PURCHASE.

This Indenture, Made the third day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty five. Between Hans Newes of the Northern Liberties of the City of Philadelphia in the Province of Pennsylvania, Yeoman, and Yonecan his wife of the one part, And George Philip Duddra of Falkner's Swamp in the County of Philadelphia in the said Province, Carpenter of the other part. Witnesseth, that the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Sixteen pounds, thirteen shillings and four pence, lawful money of Pennsylvania to them in hand paid by the said George Philip Duddra, at or before the sealing or delivering hereof, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof do acquit and forever discharge, the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns by these presents Have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release and confirm unto the said George Philip Duddra (in his actual possession and seizen now being by force and virtue of a bargain and sale unto him made by the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife for the term of one year from the day next before the day of the date thereof by Indenture bearing date the day next before the day of the date hereof made between the same parties as these presents, and by force and virtue of the statutes made for transferring of uses into possession) and to his heirs and assigns.

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in the said county of Philadelphia. Beginning at a white oak marked for a corner, thence northwest by vacant land ninety eight perches to a post by a corner of Michael Duddra's land thence by the same and John Newes land southwest Two hundred and forty six perches to a post by a corner of John Newes's land thence by the same land South east eighteen perches to a post at a corner of other land of said George Philip Duddra, thence by the same north east two hundred perches to another corner of his other land, thence by the same South east Eighty perches, thence by vacant land north east forty six perches to the place of beginning. Containing fifty acres. Together with all and singular the ways, wood, waters, water-courses, fishings, fowlings, hawkings, rights,

liberties, privileges, improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining. And the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof. To have and to hold the said piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted, or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of the said George Philip Duddra, his heirs and assigns forever. Under the yearly Quit Rent hereafter accruing for the hereby granted premises to the Chief Lord of the fee thereof. And the said Hans Newes and his heirs the said tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns against them the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife and his heirs, and against all and every other person whatsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. And the said Hans Newes for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, doth covenant, promise and grant to and with the said George Phillips Duddra, his heirs and assigns by these presents. In manner following, That is to say, That he the said Hans Newes, now at the time of the sealing and delivering of these presents, Indenture of lease or release, is the true sole and lawful owner and proprietor of the said tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises, have granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances and is lawfully, rightfully and absolutely seized thereof and of every part and parcel thereof as of a good, sure, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in fee simple and without any condition, contingent proviso, limitation or other restraint matter or thing whatsoever to alter defeat or determine the same. And that he the said Hans Newes will continue so seized of the premises and of every part and parcel thereof until a good sure, perfect and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in fee simple shall be thereof vested in the said George Philip Duddra his heirs and assigns, according to the purport and true meaning of these promises, and that free, and clear and freely and clearly acquitted and discharged of and from all and all manner of former and other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, leases, dowers, mortgages, injunctions, Wills, Intails, annuities, rents, arrearages of rents, Titles, Charges and Incumbrances whatsoever (The quit rent aforesaid as hereafter accruing only excepted and preferred) and that the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife and his heirs and all and every other person and persons whatsoever having or lawfully claiming or that shall or may at any time or times hereafter so have or claim any estate, right, title, interest of, in, or to the premises or any part or parcel thereof, shall and will at any time or times hereafter upon the reasonable request, cost and charges in law of the said George Philip Duddra, his heirs or assigns make execute and acknowledge or cause so to be, all and every such further and other reasonable act and acts, Deed or Deeds Devise or Devises in law whatsoever for the further and better assurance and confirmation of the said tract or piece of land, Hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said George Philip Duddra, his heirs and assigns, as by him or them or by his or their counsel learned in the law shall be reasonably devised, advised, or required.

In Witness Whereof, the said parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals hereunto, Dated the day and year first above written.

Sealed & Delivered in the
presence of
Chas. Brockden
Ic. Watson
Chas. Osbourn

HANS NEWES { SEAL }

her
YONECAN X NEWES { SEAL }
mark

Indorsement. Memo. That on the seventh day of Feby. A. D. 1725, before me Thos. Lawrence one of the Justices of the Peace for the city and county of Philadelphia, came Chas. Brockden & Chas. Osbourn, and on their solemn affirmations did declare and say that they were personally present and saw the within named Hans Newes & Yonecan his wife seal and as their act and deed deliver the writing or conveyance, and that their names subscribed as witnesses are of their own hands writing respectively as witnesseth my hand and seal.

THOMAS LAWRENCE { SEAL }

Recorded the 22nd February A. D. 1725.

DEED OF CONFIRMATION FOR FIRST AND SECOND LAND PURCHASES.

John Penn, Thomas Penn and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries and Governors in Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania and the Counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex, on Delaware.

To all unto whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, in and by Deeds indented of Lease and Release bearing Date respectively the eleventh and twelfth days of October in the year of our Lord 1681 for the consideration therein mentioned our late Father, William Penn Esq^r then Proprietary and Governor in Chief of our said Province did grant and release unto William Bacon of the Middle Temple Gen^t the quantity of five thousand acres of Land to be surveyed within our said Province To Hold to him his Heirs and Assigns forever Under the yearly Quitrent of one shilling (sterling) for every hundred acres of the same And Whereas in and by other Deeds of Lease and Release bearing date the nineteenth and twentieth days of February Anno 1718 For the consideration therein mentioned he the said William Bacon did grant and release the same quantity of Five thousand acres of Land and premises with the appurtenances unto Humphry Murry and John Budd then of the City of Philadelphia To Hold to them their heirs and assignees for ever, And to the end and purpose that the said quantity of Land might be accordingly surveyed two several Warrants at the instance and request of the said Humphry Murray and John Budd were granted by the late Commissioners of Property under our lesser seal bearing date respectively the fifth day of the third month and the twenty eighth day of the sixth month Anno 1719 And the said Humphry Murry and John Budd having by like Deeds of Lease and Release of the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth days of October Anno 1720 granted unto Hans Newes then of the Northern Liberties of Phil^a since deceased the quantity of seven hundred twenty-five acres part of the said five thousand acres of Land the same was surveyed and laid out unto the said Hans Newes in two several tracts one of five hundred the other two hundred twenty five acres on the second and third days of November then next ensuing lying near the Branches of Parkeawming Creek in the County of Philadelphia as in and by the surveys thereof remaining in our Surveyor Generals Office may appear And Whereas in and by two certain Deeds the one bearing date the twenty second day of December 1722 and the other the fourth day of February 1725 he the said Hans Newes and Ionecan al^a Yonecan his Wife For the consideration therein respectively mentioned did grant and convey unto George Philip Totherah al^a Duddera his heirs and assigns the quantity of one hundred and fifty acres of the tract of Five Hundred acres surveyed as aforesaid being since circumscribed within the bounds of Fredericks Township Beginning at a White Oak in a line of the said George Philip Totherah's other land thence by land now or late of Henry Grubb south west two hundred forty six perches to a corner of the land late of James Steel then north west ninety eight perches part thereof by the land last mentioned and part by land of John Newes thence by the said John Newes Land and land of Michael Totherah North East two hundred forty six perches to a line of the said George Philip Totherah's other land thence by the same South East ninety eight perches to the place of beginning Containing one hundred and fifty acres as in and by the survey and division of the same remaining in our Surveyor General's Office and from thence certified into our Secretarys Office may appear.

Now at the instance and request of the said George Philip Totherah that we would be pleased to grant him a confirmation of the said one hundred and fifty acres of Land according to the situation and survey afores^d, Know Ye, That in consideration of the several grants matters and things herein before recited, and for the Yearly Quit-Rent hereinafter mentioned and reserved, We have given, granted, released and confirmed, and by these presents, for us, our heirs and successors, Do give, grant, release and confirm unto the said George Philip Totherah and his heirs the said one hundred and fifty acres of land, as the same is now set forth, bounded and limited as aforesaid; with all Mines, Minerals, Quarries, Meadows, Marshes, Savannas, Swamps, Cripples, Woods, Underwoods, Timber and Trees, Ways, Waters, Water-courses, Liberties, Profits, Commodities, Advantages, Hereditaments, and Appurtenances whatsoever to the said one hundred and fifty acres of land belonging or in any wise appertaining and lying within the bounds and limits aforesaid, (all Royal mines only excepted and hereby reserved,) and also free leave, right and liberty to and for the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns, to hawk, hunt, fish and fowl, in and upon the hereby granted land and premises or upon any part thereof; To Have and to Hold the said one hundred and fifty acres of land and premises hereby granted, (except before excepted,) with their appurtenances unto the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns, To the only use

and behoof of the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns forever: To be holden of us, our heirs and successors, Proprietaries of Pennsylvania, as of our Manor of Springbury in the County of Philadelphia aforesaid, in free and common socage by fealty only, in lieu of all other services, Yielding and Paying therefor yearly unto us, our heirs and successors, at the City of Philadelphia, at or upon the first day of March in every year, from the first day of this instant March, one English silver shilling for the one hundred acres, and in proportion for the fifty acres, or value thereof in coin-current, according as the exchange shall then be between our said province and the city of London, to such person or persons as shall, from time to time, be appointed to receive the same. And in case of non-payment thereof within ninety days next after the same shall become due, that then it shall and may be lawful for us, our heirs and successors, our and their receiver or receivers, into and upon the hereby granted land and premises to re-enter, and the same to hold and possess until the Quit-rent, and all the arrears thereof, together with the charges accruing by means of such non-payment and re-entry aforesaid, be fully paid and discharged.

In Witness Whereof, the said Thomas Penn by virtue of the powers and authorities to him granted by the said John and Richard Penn and of his own right caused the Great Seal of the said province to be hereunto affixed at Philadelphia, this twenty first day of March Anno D^e 1736 the tenth year of the reign of King George the Second over Great Britain, &c., and the nineteenth year of our Government.

THO. PENN



Recorded 22^d May 1737.

PATENT FOR THIRD LAND PURCHASE.

John Penn, Thomas Penn and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries and Governors in Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania and Counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex, on Delaware.

To all unto whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, in pursuance and by virtue of a warrant under our lesser seal bearing date the twenty-ninth day of May in the year of Our Lord 1734 there was surveyed on the sixth day of November then next following unto George Philip Totherah of the County of Philadelphia a certain tract of land situate in Frederick Township in the said County Beginning at a White Oak at a Corner of the said George Philip Totherah's other land and extending thence by the same and by Land of Michael Totherah North West one hundred eighty nine perches to a post thence by vacant land North East ninety perches to a post and South East one hundred eighty nine perches to a post in a line of George Trumbauers land thence by the same and by vacant land South West ninety perches to the place of beginning containing one hundred acres and the allowance of six acres for Roads and Highways as in and by the survey thereof remaining in our Surveyor Generals Office and from them certified into our Secretaries Office may appear.

Now at the instance and request of the said George Philip Totherah that we would be pleased to grant him a confirmation of the same: Know Ye, That in consideration of the sum of fifteen pounds ten shillings lawful money of Pennsylvania, to our use, paid by the said George Philip Totherah the receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge and thereof do acquit and forever discharge the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns, by these presents, and also of the Yearly Quit-rent hereinafter mentioned and reserved, We have given, granted, released and confirmed, and by these presents, for us, our heirs and successors, Do give, grant, release and confirm unto the said George Philip Totherah his heirs, the said one hundred acres of land, as the same is now set forth, bounded and limited as aforesaid; with all Mines, Minerals, Quarries, Meadows, Marshes, Savannas, Swamps, Cripples, Woods, Underwoods, Timber and Trees, Ways, Water, Water-courses, Liberties, Profits, Commodities, Advantages, Hereditaments, and Appurtenances whatsoever to the said one hundred acres of land belonging or in any wise appertaining and lying within the bounds and limits aforesaid, (Three full and clear fifth parts of all Royal mines, free from all deductions and reprisals for digging and refining the same; and also one-fifth part of the ore of all other mines, delivered at the pit's mouth, only excepted and hereby reserved,) and also free leave, right and liberty to and for the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns, to hawk, hunt, fish and fowl, in and upon the hereby granted land and premises or upon any part thereof; To Have and to Hold the said one hundred acres of land and premises

hereby granted, (except as before excepted,) with their appurtenances unto the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns, To the only use and behoof of the said George Philip Totherah his heirs and assigns forever: To be holden of us, our heirs and successors, Proprietaries of Pennsylvania, as of our Manor of Springetsbury in the County aforesaid, in free and common socage by fealty only, in lieu of all other services, Yielding and Paying therefor yearly to us, our heirs and successors, at the City of Philadelphia in the said county, at or upon the first day of March in every year, from the first day of this instant March, one half penny sterling for every acre of the same, or value thereof in coin-current, according as the exchange shall then be between our said province and the city of London, to such person or persons as shall, from time to time, be appointed to receive the same. And in case of non-payment thereof within ninety days next after the same shall become due, that then it shall and may be lawful for us, our heirs and successors, our and their receiver or receivers, into and upon the hereby granted land and premises to re-enter, and the same to hold and possess until the said Quit-rent, and all arrears thereof, together with the charges accruing by means of such non-payment and re-entry, be fully paid and discharged.

In Witness Whereof, the said Thomas Penn by virtue of the powers and authorities to him granted by the said John and Richard Penn and of his own right hath caused the Great Seal of the said province to be hereunto affixed at Philadelphia, this twenty fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty eight the twelfth year of the reign of King George the Second, over Great Britain, &c., and the twenty-first year of our Government.

THO. PENN { L. S. }

Recorded August 1st, 1739.

RELEASE OF CONRAD DUDDARER, RESIDUARY LEGATEE.

The heirs of George Philip Dodderer released Conrad Duddarer, residuary legatee, at various dates, as shown by the records, as follows:

January 11, 1754. Michael Dotterer, eldest son of George Philip Duddarer, late of Frederick township, and legatee under the will of said George Philip Duddarer, released Conrad Duddarer, residuary legatee, upon receiving his share.

The children of Hieronimus Doderer: June 16, 1764. Veronica Jost and Angnes Pittin children's children, and two of the legatees by will, of George Philip Duddarer, released Conrad Duddarer, upon receiving from him £33 6 8, in accordance with the will. Veronica was at this time the wife of Phillip Jost and Angnes the wife of Jost Bitting.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come. Abraham Markli, Philip Markli, Isaac Marckli, Veronica Schwenk, Rebekah Marckle, Christina Antes and Catharina Marckle, Grand Children of the Daughter Barbara to which a Legacie is given by the Testament and Last Will of George Phillip Duddarer late of Friderick Township, in the county of Philadelphia Husbandman deceased sendeth Greeting. Know ye that the said George Phillip Duddarer in and by his Testament and last Will bearing date the nineteenth Day of October in the year 1741, Did Give and devise unto his youngest Son Conrad Duddarer his the Testator's Plantation with all the Lands Houses Baren and outhouses, As also a certain House Orchard and land . . . he the said Conrad, his heirs Executors or Administrators paying . . . certain Legacies, that is to say To his Daughter Barbara Children the full Sum of thirty three Pounds six Shillings and eight pence. . . . Now know ye that the said Abraham Marckli, et al. . . . Doth hereby acknowledge to have had and received of and from the said Conrad Duddarer the aforesaid Legacy of thirty three Pounds six Shillings and Eight Pence. . . . The Sixteenth Day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty six.

ABRAHAM MERKLE	[SEAL]	her		
PHILIP MARKEL	[SEAL]	mark	REBECKA R MARCKLI	[SEAL]
ISAAC MERCKLE	[SEAL]	her		
FRONIGA SCHWENK	[SEAL]	mark	CHRISTINA C A ANTES	[SEAL]
GEORG SCHWENK	[SEAL]		WILLIAM ANTES	[SEAL]
		her		
		mark	CATTARINA X MARCKLE	[SEAL]

Bernhard (Barnabas) Dodderer: Release by Barnabas Duddarer:

To all People to whom these Presents shall come. Barnabas Duddarer, one of the Legatees of the Testament and Last Will of George Phillip Duddarer, late of Frederick Township in the County of Philadelphia, Husbandman deceased Sendeth Greeting: Know Ye that the said George Phillip Duddarer in and by his Testament and last Will bearing date the nineteenth day of October in the year one thousand seven hundred forty one, did give and devise unto his youngest son Conrad Duddarer his the said Testators Plantation with all the Lands, Houses Barn & outhouses as also a certain House Orchard and Land which the Testator before in his said Will had given to the Testators Wife during her Life she being now deceased He the said Conrad his Heirs Executors or Administrators paying unto the Testators other Children and Children's Children certain Legacies that is to say, to his Son Barnabas Duddarer the full Sum of thirty three Pounds six shillings and eight pence lawful Money of Pennsylvania in certain parts and according to certain Times of Payment in the said Last Will Specified as in and by the said recited Will remaining in the Register Generals Office at Philadelphia Relation being thereunto had appears. Now Know Ye that the said Barnabas Duddarer doth hereby acknowledge to have had and received of and from the said Conrad Duddarer the aforesaid Legacy of thirty-three Pounds six Shillings and eight pence. Therefore in Consideration whereof he the said Barnabas Duddarer hath Remitted and Released And by these Presents doth Remis Release and fore Ever quit claim unto the said Conrad Duddarer his Heirs Executors and Administrators of and from the aforesaid Legacy and of and from all and all manner of Action and Actions and Cause and Causes of Actions fore or by Reason of the Premises or any Part or Parcell thereof. In Witness whereof the said Barnabas Duddarer hath hereunto set his Hand and Seal the eight Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred fifty four 1754.

BERND DODDERER [SEAL].

Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us: Elisabeth E. S. Smith. Friedrich Antes.

Be it remembered that the eight Day of November Anno Dom. 1754 At Frederick township before me Henry Antes one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Philadelphia came the within named Barnard Duddarer in his proper Person and brought this writing or Release which he Acknowledges to be his Deed and desired that the same may be Recorded as his Deed according to an Act of Assembly of this Province formerly made and provided. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above written.

HENRY ANTES [SEAL].

Recorded 31st Decemb^r 1772.

Anna Elizabeth Dodderer, the wife first, of Michael Zimmerman, and, second, of Jacob Kœrr (Kurr): 1762. Anna Kœrr, a daughter of George Philip Duddarer, and legatee by his will, released Conrad Duddarer, upon his payment of £16 3 4 in accordance with said will.

Deed Geo. Zimmerman et al^e To Conrad Duddarer.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come. George Zimmerman Anna Elisabeth Yunt and her husband Johannes Yunt Veronica Zimmerman Mary Catharina Hofman and her Husband John Hofman, the Grand Children & tow of there Husbands of the Daughter Anna, to which a Legacie is given by the Testament and Last Will of George Phillip Duddarer, late of Frederick Township in the County of Philadelphia Husbandman deceased Sendeth Greeting: Know ye that the said George Phillip Duddarer in and by his Testament and Last Will bearing date the nineteenth Day of October in the year one thousand seven Hundred forty one did give and devise unto his youngest Son Conrad Duddarer his the said Testator's Plantation with all the Lands Houses Baren & outhouses as also a certain House Orchard and Land which the Testator before in his said Will had given to the Testators Wife during her Life She being now deced. He the said Conrad his Heirs Executors or Administrators Paying unto the Testators other Children or Childrens Children a certain Legacies that is to say, to his Daughter Annas Children the full Sum of Sixteen Pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence lawful Money of Pennsylvania when the youngest Child shall be at the Age of twenty one years that is the date of Payment in the said Last Will Specified as in and by the said recited Last Will remaining in the Register General's Office at Philadelphia Relation being thereunto had appears. Now Know Ye that the said George Zimmerman Anna Elisabeth Yunt and Johannes Yunt her

Husband, Veronica Zimmerman Mary Chattarina hofman & John Hofman her Husband doth hereby acknowledge to have had and received of and from the said Conrad Duddarer the afores^d Legacy of Sixteen Pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence. Therefore in Consideration thereof the said George Zimmerman Anna Elisabeth Yunt & Johannes Yunt Veronica Zimerman Mary Cattarina Hofman her Husband, hath Remised and Released and by these Presents Doth Remise Releas and fore Ever quit claim unto the said Conrad Duddarer his Heirs Executors & Administrators of and from the aforesaid Legacy and of and from all and all manner of action and actions and Cause or Causes of Actions fore or by Reason of the Premises or any part or parcell thereof. In Witness wereof the said George Zimmerman Anna Elisabeth Yunt and her Husband Johannes Yunt & Veronica Zimmerman & Mary Chattarina Hofman & her Husband John Hofman hath hereunto set their Hands and Seals the thirty first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred sixty two 1762.

GEORG ZIMMERMAN [SEAL]

HANNES ^{his} H JUND [SEAL]
mark

ANLISABET ^{her} I JUNDIN [SEAL]
mark

FRONICA ^{her} X ZIMMERMANN [SEAL]
mark

JOHANNES HOFFMANN [SEAL]

MARIA CADRIN HOFFMANNIN [SEAL]

[SEAL] Sealed and delivered in the presence of us, viz:

MICHAEL DOTTERER

MICHAEL ^{his} M DUDDARER
mark

Be it Remembered that on the thirtieth day of August, A^o. D. 1762 Before me John Trump one of the Justices of the Peace of the County of Philad^a came George Zimmerman, one of the Signers and acknowledge that he has Sealed and Delivered this above written Releas and upon his Solemn Affirmation did declare and Say that he were personly apresand and saw the within named Seal and as their Act and Deed deliver this writing or Releas and that their Nams Subscribed as Witnesses are of their own hands or marks writing respectively As Witness my Hand and Seal.

JON TRUMP [SEAL].

Recorded 31st Decem^r 1772.

FAMILY TRADITIONS.

In order that the unwritten reminiscences respecting the intercourse between the aborigines and our pioneer ancestor, as handed down from father to son for more than a century and a half, may not be lost to posterity, they are here given, substantially as received from the late Michael Dotterer (born June 15, 1811; died December 13, 1899), who was reared in the vicinity:

"Our immigrant ancestor"—*der uralt Dotterer*, in the German language, "was the very first settler in this neighborhood. When he came there was no road, and he had no horse or wagon. All he had was one or two cows, a sow, and some primitive farming implements. He and his family made their way as best they could, along Swamp Creek and Society Run through the forest. He located on the spot now (1902) occupied by the capacious barn on the farm of Eli Geisinger. Here, on the west bank of the stream, under the spreading branches of a buttonwood tree, he dug a sort of cave, and covered it with a rude roof of logs and branches, forming a hut, as a shelter for his family. Beside this humble abode a spring issued, and below the run, then much stronger than now, sparkled in the sunshine. The Indians in the vicinity were friendly. They were in the habit of coming out of the

deeper recesses of the forest to look at their pale-faced neighbors. They sometimes asked permission to take the settler's little children for the day to let them play with their own papooses; a request which our foreparents feared to grant yet dared not refuse. The natives cared for the little palefaces the same as for their own offspring. They had a way of fastening the children to branches of trees bent down for the purpose, and swinging them to and fro in the air. They fed their children with food prepared in a small wooden trough, carved out of a part of the trunk of a tree; and the white children were fed the same. What this food was composed of our people did not know; but it was harmless. At the close of day the children were brought back, unharmed, to their parents, and no instance is handed down of bad faith on the part of the natives.

"The Dodderers had several pigs, which were objects of much curiosity to the Indians, who had never before seen any. They came down daily to the settler's clearing, bringing with them acorns for the sow and her family. To gain the goodwill of his savage neighbors, our ancestor thought it politic to present them with a pig, which they carried off with delight. One day, Father Dotterer thought he would go up into the forest and see how the Indians were living. He found, to his surprise, the squaw seated on the ground in the sun nursing both her papoose and the pig, the child looking distrustfully over at its rival, but the pig quite contented in its adopted mother's lap.

"At this early date the nearest grist mill was on the Wissahickon, some thirty miles away. The settlers were in the habit of sending to the mill the Indians, who went over the ground very rapidly. For a piece of tobacco, they would carry a bag of grain to the mill, starting in the evening, and returning with the meal the following morning."

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John Philip Boehm. See Historical Notes relating to the Pennsylvania Reformed Church, Volume One, page 86.

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Quit Rents paid by George Philip Totharah (Dotterer). See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 141, and page 151; also, Volume Three, page 80.

Falkner Swamp. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, pages 5, 37, 67.

Goshenhoppen. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 64.

Frederick Township. See History of Montgomery County, edited by Theodore W. Bean, 1884, page 831.

2. MICHAEL DOTTERER² (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in Europe in May, 1698; married, in Pennsylvania, Anna Maria Fischer; died, in April, 1786; buried, in Bertolet's burying ground, Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pa., April 7, 1786, aged eighty-seven years, eleven months and several days. Anna Maria Fischer, daughter of Jacob and Sophia Elisabetha Fischer, of New Goshenhoppen, Pa., was born in Freinsheim, in the Palatinate of the Rhine; died in January, 1781; buried in a private graveyard on the farm of Zacharias Nyce, now known as Bertolet's burying ground, January 21, 1781. Children:

8. Anna Sophia Dotterer³, born March 5, 1726.
9. Anna Veronica Dotterer³, born September 5, 1727.
10. George Philip Dotterer³, born August 30, 1729.
11. Conrad Dotterer³, born May 10, 1731.
12. Maria Margaretha Dotterer³, born June 27, 1733.
13. Michael Dotterer³, born October 31, 1735.
14. Jacob Dotterer³, born July 4, 1737.
15. ——— Dotterer³, a son, born January 22, 1739; died in infancy.
16. John Dotterer³, one of twins, born November 18, 1741; died within six months.
17. ——— Dotterer³, one of twins, born November 18, 1741; died within six months.
18. Anna Maria Dotterer³, born January 4, 1745.

January 24, 1726, Michael Dotterer purchased of Hans Neues, a tract of one hundred and fifty acres of land, adjoining the property of his father, and fronting, on the northwest, the present dividing line between Frederick and New Hanover townships. It lay with a trifling exception on the eastern side of Society Run. March 22, 1736, the Proprietaries gave him a patent of confirmation for this tract.

May 4, 1726, he purchased of John Henry Sproggell, one hundred acres in New Hanover township, part of the Great Tract of 22377 acres; this fronted, on the southeast, the present dividing line between Frederick and New Hanover townships, and adjoined the tract purchased January 24, 1726. January 20, 1736, he purchased of the Proprietaries, fifty acres situated northeastward of his January 24, 1726, purchase, and adjoining it. June 22, 1751, he purchased of William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway, one hundred and four acres and fifty perches in New Hanover township. This was to the northeastward of, and adjoined, his purchase of May 4, 1726.

It was found, later, that of the one hundred acres purchased May 4, 1726, only sixty-nine acres and fifty perches were really owned by John Henry Sproggell; the remainder of thirty acres and one hundred and ten perches was the property of William Parsons, et al., and was in the conveyance of one hundred and four acres and fifty perches made by them June 22, 1751.

Michael Dotterer built his home on his first purchase, on the east bank of a bend in Society run, about two hundred yards southeast of the line of Sproggell's tract of 22,377 acres, now the boundary road between New Hanover and Frederick townships. His land lay almost entirely eastward of Society run, sloping gradually upward to the highland. Along the margin of the stream is a stretch of pretty meadow. On the opposite bank rises a bluff which is to this day crowned with giant forest trees, among them spicy hemlocks whose pliant branches stretch over the brink and across the stream. The soft winds still sigh amidst the tree-tops of this remnant of primitive forest as they did when the Indians frequented these solitudes and when the courageous settler came hither to build a home and found a family. The north end of the present farmhouse is said to have been the original dwelling erected by Michael Dotterer.

May 20, 1756, Michael Dotterer sold to George Philip Dotterer, his eldest son, the two adjoining tracts, containing together about one hundred and seventy-three acres, and one hundred perches, in New Hanover township. November 14, 1763, he conveyed to Michael Dotterer, Junior, his son, the two adjoining tracts, in Frederick township, containing together two hundred acres.

By these two conveyances he disposed of all his lands. He provided for his children—it is stated in his will—by an Article and Bonds between himself and his son, Michael Dotterer, Jr. This interesting instrument is not known to have been preserved.

Michael Dotterer made a will in the year 1783, while sojourning in York county, Pennsylvania, where his son Conrad Dotterer had settled.

WILL.

In the Name of God, Amen. I, Michael Dotterer Senear late of Philadelphia county and Frederick township and State of Pennsylvania, and now of York county and State aforesaid yoman being in good state of Health and Sound Mind and Memory blessed be God. Therefore Do this Day, it being the Tenth Day of October In the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty three make and publick this my last Will and Testament in manner and form folowing, that is to say, Inprimis, I Commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth from whence it came in Hope of a joyfull Resurrection through the merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ; and as for that Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with I dispose as foloweth. First That all my just Debts and funeral Expenses be paid. Second I do will that after my decease Each of my children is to have there Share according to an Article and Bonds between me and my Son Michael Dotterer, Juner, as thay become due after my decease except my Daughter Suffia Troxel I do give and bequeath to her Five Shillings Starling besides the 25£ that she hath received and what shee bought at my vendue for her full share and after my decease the rest and residue of my Estate I do leave to be Equally divided among my other Three children. First Mary Hefners, 2 Margreat Dotterer, 3 Mary Rife and I do order and appint my beloved Son Conrad Dotterer to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I the said Michael Dotterer have to this my last Will and Testament set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above Writen.

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MICHAEL M DOTTERER [SEAL].
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September 29, 1786, the will was probated in York county. The same date Conrad Dotterer, the executor named therein, renounced his "Right and Title to the Executorship of said Deceased's Will, or in any Wise Administering the Goods and Chattels of the said Deceased." October 21, 1786, John Heebner applied to the Register of Wills of Montgomery county for letters of administration upon the estate, and was granted the same, upon giving a bond for £150, with Henry Boyer and Jacob Schwenck as sureties. The estate was in Montgomery county. The account subsequently filed by the administrator showed the gross estate to be £93 2 11; the net, £79 12 10.

THE FAMILY BIBLE

of Michael and Anna Maria Dotterer is still preserved. It is in the German language, and was printed in 1720 at Basel. It contained a family record, which is now lost, but a copy of it was, fortunately, taken before its destruction, and translated, follows:

Children of myself, Johann Michael Dotterer, and my wife Anna Maria.

1726.

5th March was born unto us a daughter; named Anna Sophia. Sponsors: Jacob Fisher and wife.

1727.

5th September was born unto us a daughter; named Anna Froni. Sponsor: Anna Dotterer.

1729.

30th August was born unto us a son; named George Philip. Sponsors: Geo. Philip Dotterer and his wife.

1731.

10th May was born unto us a son; named Johann Conrad. Sponsor: Johann Conrad Dotterer.

1733.

27th June was born unto us a daughter; named Maria Margareta. Sponsors: Herman Fisher and his wife.

1735.

31st October was born unto us a son; named Joh. Michael. Sponsors: Joh. Wendel Weiant and his wife.

1737.

4th July was born unto us a son; named Johann Jacob. Sponsors: Jacob Fisher and wife.

1739.

22d Jan. was born a son

1741.

18th November twins were born. Johannes and Both died within the next half year.

1745.

4th January was born unto us a daughter; and 24th April she was baptized and named Anna Maria. Sponsors: Conrad Grob and his wife.

This Bible was owned successively by Michael Dotterer (1698-1786); Michael Dotterer, his son (1735-1811); Conrad Dotterer, grandson (1769-1827); Eliza Dotterer, great-granddaughter (1805-1867), wife of Enos Boyer; Sophia Dotterer, sister to the last named (1819-1884), wife of John Hummel, and is now (1902) in possession of John Hummel, widower, of Linfield, Montgomery county, Pa.

CHURCH CONNECTION.

Michael Dotterer was a member of the Reformed Church. His wife was of the same denomination, her family—the Fischers—being prominent in the New Goshenhoppen congregation. Michael Dotterer lived nearest to Falkner Swamp Reformed church, which was only three miles west from his home. His father was an officer in this congregation in 1728, the period when its pastor, Rev. John Philip Boehm, was ordained to the ministry; but soon after this occurrence he took sides with Rev. George Michael Weiss, the opponent of Boehm. We find in the records of the New Goshenhoppen congregation, evidence that Michael Dotterer attended services and had his children baptized there, although this church was six miles from his home, northward, until about the date (1748) that Rev. John Philip Leydich succeeded Boehm at Falkner Swamp. Thenceforth he and his family received the ministrations of Rev. Mr. Leydich, until the termination of his pastorate in 1765, and afterwards of Rev. Nicholas Pomp, who was the next pastor at Falkner Swamp. Entries copied from the two Church records follow:

In the record of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed congregation, during the pastorate of Rev. John Peter Miller, is found this entry of the baptism of his daughter, Maria Margaretha:

1733 (should be 1734) d. 25. Mertz Maria Margaretha Eltern Michael Dotterer et uxor. Zeuge Herman Fischer et uxor.

Georg Philip Dotder, father of Michael Dotterer, was one of forty-five heads of families, of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed congregation, whose names Rev. John Henry Goetschy, the pastor, entered, in 1736, upon the church record.

During the pastorate of Rev. John Henry Goetschy is entered the baptism of his sons, John Michael and Jacob:

Children.	Parents.	Sponsors.
"1738, 5 Feb. Johan Michael	{ Michael Dodder } Ana Maria	Wendel Wiend
"Jacob		Jacob Fischer
		Anna Margreth Sophia Elisabeth."

We find in the records of the Falkner Swamp congregation that his children, Conrad, Margaretha, Michael and Jacob Dotterer, were confirmed by Pastor Leydich:

At Easter, 1749, Philip Dotterer, Conrad Dotterer and Margaretha Dotterer were confirmed by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation.

At Easter, 1753, Michael Dotterer and Jacob Dotterer were confirmed by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church.

Anna Maria Dotterer, wife of Michael Dotterer, died in January, 1781. The church record is simply in these words:

Buried, January 21, 1781, Anna Maria, the wife of Michael Dotterer.

Record of Falkner Swamp Reformed church: "April 7, 1786, Michael Doderer was buried, aged 87 years, 11 months and several days." He was buried, beside his wife, in the graveyard in the western portion of Frederick township, adjacent to which Bertolet's Mennonite meeting

houses has since been built. Common stones which formerly marked the two graves have disappeared. Husband and wife are said to be buried beside the grave of their son, Michael Dotterer, which is appropriately marked by head and foot stones.

A CURIOUS DOCUMENT.

In the public records of Philadelphia is filed a statement drawn by David Shultze, old-time scrivener, of New Goshenhoppen, which reveals an interesting incident in the family history of Michael Dotterer and his wife. A copy follows:

The Complaints of Herman Fisher and Michael Dottery as Son and Son in law of Jacob Fisher deceased, against Wendell Wyant their Brother in Law, as concerning the Testament of the said Jacob Fisher deceased, are as follows:

By the Said Testament there is only given to the eldest Son of the Said Herman Fisher the Sum of fifteen Pounds in Money. And to the eldest Daughter of the Said Michael Dottery only Ten Pounds And more then 25 Pounds to the Said Wendells eldest Daughter and all the Rest to the Said Wendell Wyant.

The Said Herman being the only Son of the Said Jacob Fisher and the wife of the Said Michael Dottery is the eldest Daughter and the Wife of the Said Wendell Wyant is his Yongest Daughter. The whole Estate will amount to about 120 Pounds Money together. Thus the Testament is made very Partially, without any Reasons mentioned in the Same.

Some Years ago, when the Said Jacob Fisher did live with his Son Herman and Some Times at Michael Dotterys He had Said at home and elsewhere, That he could not go to the Said Wendell Wyant his Son in Law to Live with him, For that he had beaten him once and would trust him no more. For this Reason it Seems the Said Wendell Wyant has been afraid. That his said Father in law might possible not give him So much by his Last Will then to the others. For he had about the Same Time Spoke to the Said Herman and Michael Dottery. That Since the wife of the Said Jacob Fisher (as his Mother in Law) had declared before her Death, That as the Estate having Chiefly derived from her own, and as her Husband being of a Hard and changeably Temper, That after his Death They all the Three Children Should however peaceable divide the whole Estate equally among themselves. So Conformable to this the Said Wendell had Spoke to them That if he Should See, That They Should take Advantage of him, That he rather would Loose it all and have nothing. To wich the Said Herman and Michael Dottery Consented, to divide once their Father's Estate equally among themselves, whatever their Father perhaps might do. But Some Time after the Said Jacob Fisher did go to the Said Wendell to Live with him, and after that he went away again to another man.

And Some Time after he intended again to go to the Said Wendell. But the Said Wendell Wyant refused to accept him once more. Unless he did Chose and appoint Some Administrators to take Care of his own Estate. Since he was no more Capable of doing it himself. Whereupon at the Desire of the Said Fisher he the Said Wendell named first one man for an Administrator and Then the Said Fisher did Chose two more. And after this the Said Testament being So partially made in preence of the Said Adm^r. But Some Time after the Said Fisher went again away from the Said Wendell (no Doubt out of Discontent) to one named Andrew Graber, where by the Said Grabers Wife he being once put in Remembrance of the Said Testament whereupon he declared himself in Such Words as: I must Confess That if the Will Should remain So as it is now, That my Son Herman would much Loose by it (or much Suffer by it, or much get Short). But I am yet alive, I can alter it at any Time.

This could be proved by witness if required.

This happened only about Two or Three Months before his Death. For Soon after he went again to the Said Wendell Wyant, and there became Sick and dyed, on the 8th of March Last without altering the Said Testament.

But now the Said Wendell refuses to divide the Said Fishers Estate equally among themselves (contrary to his own former desire as mentioned above) Since the Said Testament is made to his Advantage.

Though the Said Wendell has once promised to the Said Michael Dottery That he would be Content, That the whole Estate might be equally divided among themselves, yet he has also said to some others, That he would do nothing unless the said Testament be declared for null and void by Law.

In my mind the Said Herman Fisher and Michael Dottery have Such a Just Right to Claim their due Share of their Fathers Estate as the said Wendell Wyant.

And for my Part I Suppose The Said Jacob Fisher has Caused his Said Testament to be made in such a manner, without a Just or Sufficient Deliberation.

And as he has been of Such an inconstant Mind, So that he now and then having been much more favourable to one then to another of his own Children So it is hardly to be Said wether he has been then a Man of Compos Mentis or not.

Though I happened to be troubled with writing the Said Testament, and also Subscribed as a witness to the Same Yet I Cannot Conscientiously take an Affirmation (for all the abovesaid Reasons) to the Confirmation of the Said Will.

I could not Say otherwise if I was myself present For the Rest I wish that the Case might be fair Adjusted.

DAVID SHULTZE.

DEED FOR FIRST LAND PURCHASE.

This Indenture, Made the twenty-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty six. Between Hans Newes of the Northern Liberties of the City of Philadelphia, in the Province of Pennsylvania, Yeoman, and Yonecan his wife of the one part. And Michael Doudera of Falkner's Swamp in the County of Philadelphia in the said Province, Yeoman of the other part. Witnesseth, That the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania to them in hand paid by the said Michael Doudera at and before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof do acquit and forever discharge the said Michael Doudera his heirs and assigns by these presents, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, and confirmed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, and confirm unto the said Michael Dodera. A certain Tract or parcel of land situate in the said County of Philadelphia. Beginning at a post by a corner of Philip Dodera's land, thence northwest by vacant land one hundred eighty two perches to the German tract, thence by the same south west one hundred thirty two perches to a post by a corner of John Newes land, thence by the same South east one hundred eighty two perches to a post near a white oak marked for a corner in the line of Philip Doudera's land, thence by the same line North East one hundred thirty two perches to the place of beginning. Containing One hundred and fifty acres. Which said described tract is part of Two hundred acres of land Surveyed on the first day of November 1720 unto the said Hans Newes in part of his purchase of Seven hundred and fifty acres of land of John Budd and Humphry Murray who purchased the same with other lands of William Bacon who was an original purchaser of Five Thousand acres of land to be located in the said Province, of and from William Penn Proprietary and Governor thereof (lately deceased). Together also with all and singular the ways, woods, waters, water-courses, fishings, fowlings, hawkings, huntings, rights, liberties, privileges and improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining. And the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof, and true cōpy of all Deeds, Evidences and writings concerning the same to be had and taken at the proper charges of the said Michael Dodera his heirs or assigns. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns forever. Under the yearly quit rent hereafter

accruing for the hereby granted premises to the Chief Lord of the Fee thereof. And the said Hans Newes and his heirs the said tract or parcel of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns against him the said Hans Newes and his heirs and against all and every other person and persons whatsoever shall and will Warrant and forever Defend by these presents. And the said Hans Newes for himself his heirs, executors and Administrators do covenant, promise and grant to and with the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns by these presents in manner following, that is to say, That he the said Hans Newes now at the time of the sealing and delivery of this present Indenture is the true, sole and lawful owner and proprietor of the said tract or parcel of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances, and is solely, lawfully, rightfully and absolutely seized thereof and of every part and parcel thereof as of a good, sure, absolute and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in fee simple without any manner of condition, contingent proviso, limitation or other restraint matter or thing to determine, alter or change the same. And shall continue so seized thereof and of every part and parcel thereof until a good sure absolute and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in fee simple shall be thereof vested in the said Michael Dodera and his heirs according to the true intent and meaning of these presents. And the said Tract or parcel of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances now are and at all times hereafter forever shall remain and continue to be unto the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns free and clear and freely and clearly acquitted and discharged of and from all manner of former and other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, leases, mortgages, joyntures, Dowers, wills, entails, Annuities, Rents, arrearages of rent, titles, charges and incumbrances whatsoever (The Quit Rent hereafter accruing as aforesaid only excepted and foreprized).

And that he the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his wife and his heirs and all and every other person and persons whatsoever having or lawfully claiming or that shall or may at any time or times hereafter so have or claim any Estate, Right, Title or Interest of in or to the premises or any part or parcel thereof shall and will at any time or times hereafter upon the reasonable request, cost and charges in law of the said Michael Dodera his heirs or assigns make, execute and acknowledge or cause so to be all and every such further and other reasonable act and acts, deed or deeds, device or devices in law whatsoever for the further and better assurance and confirmation of the said Tract or parcel of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or intended to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Dodera his heirs and assigns, as by him or them or by his or their Court of Learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised, advised or required.

In Witness Whereof the said parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals hereunto dated the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
Isaac Dubois
Jos. Watson
Cha. Taylor

HANS NEWES

{ SEAL }

YONECAN NEWES

{ SEAL }

Received on the day of the date of the within Indenture of the within named Michael Dodera the sum of Fifty pounds, being the full consideration money within mentioned, I say received by me Hans Newes.

Witnesses present at signing, Cha. Taylor, Jos. Watson.

Be it Remembered, That the twenty seventh day of January Anno Domini 1726 at Philadelphia before me Edward Roberts one of the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of Philadelphia came the within named Hans Newes in his proper person, and brought this writing or conveyance which he acknowledged to be his deed and desires that the same may be enrolled or recorded as his Deed according to an Act of Assembly of this Province in that behalf lately made and provided. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year abovesaid.

EDWARD ROBERTS

{ SEAL }

DEED OF CONFIRMATION OF THE FOREGOING PURCHASE.

The following is the Proprietaries' deed of confirmation of Hans Newes' deed:

John Penn, Thomas Penn & Richard Penn Esquires true and absolute Proprietaries and Governors in Chief of the Provinces of Pennsylvania and Counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex on Delaware.

To all unto whom these Presents shall come Send Greeting.

Whereas in and by Deeds indented of Lease and Release bearing Date respectively the eleventh and twelfth Days of October 1681 for the Considerations therein mentioned our late Father William Penn Esq. then Proprietary and Governor in Chief of our said Province, Did grant and release unto William Bacon of the Middle Temple Gent the Quantity of five thousand Acres of Land to be surveyed within our said Province To Hold to him his Heirs and Assigns forever Under the yearly Quit Rent of one shilling for every hundred acres of the same And whereas in and by other Deeds of Lease and Release bearing Date the nineteenth and twentieth Days of February Anno 1718 for the Consideration therein mentioned he the said William Bacon did grant and release the same Quantity of five thousand Acres of Land and Premises with the Appurtenances unto Humphrey Murry and John Budd then of the City of Philadelphia To hold to them their Heirs and Assigns forever And to the End and purpose that the said Quantity of Land might be accordingly surveyed two several Warrants (at the Instance and Request of the said Humphrey Murry and John Budd) were granted by the ——— Commissioners of Property Under our lesser Seal bearing Date respectively the fifth Day of third Month and the twenty eighth Day of the sixth Month Anno 1719. And the said Humphrey Murry and John Budd having by like Deeds of Lease and Release of the twenty fifth and twenty sixth Day of October Anno 1720 granted unto Hans Newes then of the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia since deceased the Quantity of Seven hundred twenty five Acres of Land Part of the said five thousand Acres of Land the same was surveyed and laid out unto the said Hans Newes in two several Tract some of five hundred Acres the other two hundred twenty five Acres on the second and third Days of November then next ensuing lying near the Branches of Parkeawming Creek in the County of Philadelphia as in and by the Surveys thereof remaining in our Surveyor Generals Office may appear and Whereas in and by a certain Deed indented bearing Date the twenty fourth Day of January 1726 for the Consideration therein mentioned he the said Hans Newes and Yonecan his Wife Did grant and convey unto Michael Totherah (als Doderah) of Falkner's Swamp in the County of Philad^a his Heirs and Assigns; A Certain Part of the Tract of five hundred Acres surveyed as aforesaid being since circumscribed within the Bounds of Frederick Township. Beginning at a Corner of John Newes' Land Thence by the same North West one hundred eighty two Perches to a line of the German Companys Land Thence by the same North East one hundred and thirty two perches to a corner of the said Michael Totherah's other land thence by the same and by land of George Philip Totherah South East one hundred eighty two perches to a Post Thence by the said George Philip Totherah's land South West one hundred thirty two perches to the place of beginning, containing one hundred and fifty acres * * * * * As in and by the Survey and Division of the same remaining in our Surveyor General's office and from thence certified into our Secretary's office may appear.

Now at the Instance and Request of the said Michael Totherah that we would be pleased to grant him a Confirmation of the said one hundred and fifty acres of Land according to the Situation and Survey aforesaid, Know Ye that in consideration of the several Grants, Matters and Things hereinbefore recited and for the yearly Quit Rent hereinafter mentioned and reserved. We have Given, Granted, Released and Confirmed * * * * * unto the said Michael Totherah and his Heirs The said one hundred and fifty Acres of Land * * * * * To have and to hold the said one hundred and fifty Acres of Land * * * * * Yielding and paying therefore to ourselves our Heirs and successors at the City of Philadelphia at or upon the first day of March in every Year from the first Day of this Instant March, one English Silver Shilling for the one hundred acres and in Proportion for the fifty Acres or Value thereof in Coin Current according as the Exchange shall then be between our said Province and the City of London * * *

In Witness whereof the said Thomas Penn * * * hath caused the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed at Philadelphia this twenty-second

Day of March Anno Domini 1736 The Tenth year of the Reign of King George the Second over Great Britain, &c., & the Nineteenth Year of our Government.

THO. PENN. { SEAL }

DEED FOR SECOND LAND PURCHASE.

This Indenture, Made the fourth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty six. Between John Henry Sprogell of the City of Philadelphia, Gentleman of the one part, And Michael Doudera of New Hanover Township in the said County of Philadelphia, Yeoman of the other part. Whereas there is a certain piece or tract of land situate in the said County, Beginning at a corner of Michael Doudera's other land in Sprogell's line, thence North West One hundred and twenty one perches and four feet to a post put for a corner thence south west One hundred and thirty two perches to a post in the line of Jacob Myer's land, thence by the same and by Hans Sinkman's land, south east one hundred and twenty one perches and four feet to a post at a corner of the said Michael Doudera's other land, thence by the same North east one hundred and thirty two perches to the place of beginning, Containing one hundred acres. It Being part of a certain great tract of twenty two thousand three hundred and seventy seven acres of land which was lately granted to the said John Henry Sprogell in fee. Now this indenture Witnesseth that the said John Henry Sprogell for the consideration of the sum of Twenty five pounds lawful money to him paid by the said Michael Doudera Hath granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, release, and confirm unto the said Michael Doudera (in his actual seizen now being by virtue of a bargain and sale to him made for one year by Indenture bearing date the day next before the day of the date hereof, and made between the same parties as these presents) and to his heirs and assigns. All that the above described piece or tract of land situate bounded and being as the same is above set forth and described and containing One hundred acres as aforesaid. Together also with all and singular the buildings, improvements, ways, woods, waters, water-courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances, whatsoever thereunto belonging, and the reversions and remainders thereof (one full equal half part of all mines included within the bounds and limits of the One hundred acres aforesaid excepted and always reserved out of this present grant.) To have and to hold the said described piece or tract of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned so to be with the appurtenances (except before excepted) unto the said Michael Doudera his heirs and assigns, to the only use and behoof of him the said Michael Doudera his heirs and assigns forever. Yielding and paying therefore yearly unto the said John Henry Sprogell his heirs and assigns the yearly rent of one shilling lawful sterling money of Great Britain or value thereof in coin current on the first day of March yearly forever. And if it shall happen the said yearly rent of one shilling hereby reserved or any part thereof shall be behind and unpaid at or after any of the days herein before mentioned and appointed for payment thereof, That then and from thenceforth always after, as often as the said rent shall be so behind and unpaid, it shall and may be lawful for the said John Henry Sprogell his heirs or assigns into and upon the said land and premises hereby granted or mentioned so to be or any part thereof and in the messuages thereon erected or to be erected with the appurtenances to enter and distrain and the distress and distresses then and there found and taken to lead, drive and carry away, and the same to impound, detain and keep at the proper Risque and charges of the said Michael Doudera his heirs and assigns for the space of five days and if within the said space of five days payment and satisfaction of the said rent and arrearages thereof if any be not made then & at any time thereafter it shall and may be lawful for the said John Henry Sprogell his heirs and assigns or any of them, the said distress and distresses to expose and sell by publick auction or vendue for the best price that can be reasonably gotten for the same, and after payment and satisfaction of the said rent and arrearages thereof, and all charges of distress and detenture and sale are first deducted, the overplus to return to the said Michael Doudera his heirs or assigns. And the said John Henry Sprogell and his heirs the said piece or tract of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned so to be with the appurtenances (except before excepted) unto the said Michael Doudera his heirs and assigns, against him the said John Henry Sprogell and his heirs, and against all other persons, lawfully claiming or to claim shall and will under the yearly rent aforesaid warrent and forever defend by these presents. In Witness Whereof, the

THE DOTTERER FAMILY.

aforesaid parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals hereto, dated the day and year above written.

Sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
Johannah Parsons
William Parsons

JOHN HENRY SPROGELL, SENOR.

{ SEAL }

Memo. The Eighteenth day of May A. D. 1736 before me Edward Roberts Esq. one of the Justices of ye Peace for ye City & County of Philadelphia came ye within named John Henry Sprogell and brought ye within writing which he acknowledged to be his deed and desired the same may be recorded as his deed according to law. Witness my hand and seal ye day and year aforesaid.

EDWARD ROBERTS [SEAL].

Mem. Thirty acres of ye within granted land and one hundred and ten perches are included in a deed for one hundred and four acres and fifty perches from William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway to ye within named Michael Totherah dated 22^d day of June 1751. Witness my hand.

ROBT. GREENWAY.

Received of ye within named Michael Doudera ye sum of Twenty five pounds it being ye consideration money within mentioned pr. me.

JOHN HENRY SPROGELL, SENOR.

Witnesses present at signing.
Johannah Parsons
Wm. Parsons

Know all men by these presents, That Whereas, the within named John Henry Sprogell by Indenture of the 20th Dec. 1733 did sell unto Henry Soams of London Seven thousand five hundred acres of land whereof the within one hundred acres is a part. And Whereas the heirs of said Henry Soams by indenture of the 8th October 1748 did sell unto Thomas Preston the said lands with the rents, yearly issues and profits thereof. Therefore he the said Thomas Preston, in consideration of one pound fourteen shillings to him in hand paid by the within named Michael Doudera, doth hereby not only discharge all the by past Rents of one shilling sterling, reserved yearly as within mentioned, but likewise doth hereby sell, release and confirm the within rent of one shilling sterling reserved as within mentioned unto him the said Michael Dudderow his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the hand and seal of Thomas Preston this thirteenth day of January, An. D. 1749 /50.

Witness present
Jno. Campbell
Anna Sherrard

THOMAS PRESTON.

{ SEAL }

PATENT FOR THIRD LAND PURCHASE.

John Penn, Thomas Penn & Richard Penn Esquires true and absolute Proprietaries and Governors in Chief of the Provinces of Pennsylvania and Counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex on Delaware.

To all unto whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

Whereas in pursuance and by virtue of our Warrant under the lesser seal of our said province bearing date the eighth day of November, Anno Domini 1734, there was surveyed and laid out on the twenty first day of February then next ensuing, unto Michael Totherah of the county of Philadelphia, a certain Tract of Land situate in Frederick Township in the said county: Beginning at a post in a line of a tract called the German Tract at a corner of other land of the said Michael Totherah, and extending thence by the said land south east one hundred and five perches to a post, thence by land of George Philip Totherah North East Eighty one perches to a post, thence by vacant land, North west one hundred and five perches to a post in the aforesaid line of the German Tract, thence by the same south west eighty one perches to the point of beginning. Containing Fifty acres and an allowance proportionate to six acres, per cent for roads and Highways as in and by the survey thereof remaining in our Surveyor General's office may appear.

Now at the Instance and Request of the said Michael Totherah that we would be pleased to grant him a Confirmation of the same, Know Ye, That in considera-

tion of the sum of Seven pounds, fifteen shillings, lawful money of Pennsylvania, to our use paid by the said Michael Totherah the receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge, and thereof do acquit and forever discharge the said Michael Totherah his heirs and assigns by these presents, and also for the yearly quit rent hereinafter mentioned and reserved, We have given, granted, released, and confirmed, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors do give, grant, release and confirm unto the said Michael Totherah and his heirs, the said fifty acres of land as the same is now set forth, bounded and limited as aforesaid with all Mines, Minerals, Quarries, Meadows, Marshes, Savannahs, Swamps, Crippled Woods, Underwoods, Timbers and Trees, Ways, Waters, & Watercourses, Liberties and Profits, Commodities, Advantages, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said Fifty acres of land belonging in anywise appertaining and lying within the bounds and limits aforesaid. (Three full and clear fifth parts of all Royal Mines free from all Reversions and Reprisals for digging and refining the same, also one fifth part of the ore of all other mines, delivered at the pit's mouths only excepted and hereby reserved), and also free lease, right and liberty to and for the said Michael Totherah his heirs and assigns to hawk, hunt, fish and fowl in and upon the hereby granted land and premises or upon any part thereof: To have and to hold the said fifty acres of land and premises hereby granted (except as before excepted), with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Totherah his heirs and assigns, to the only use and behoof of the said Michael Totherah his heirs and assigns forever. To be holden of us our heirs and successors proprietaries of Pennsylvania or of the Manor of Springettsberry in the county of Philadelphia aforesaid in free and common soccage by fealty only in lieu of all other services. Yielding and Paying therefor yearly to us our heirs and successors at the city of Philadelphia at or upon the first day of March in every year from the first survey thereof one half penny sterling for every acre of the same or value to thereof in coin current according as the Exchange shall then be between our said province and the City of London to such person or persons as shall from time to time be appointed to receive the same, and in case of non payment thereof within ninety days next after the same shall become due, that then it shall and may be lawful for us our heirs and successors and their receiver or receivers into and upon the hereby granted land and premises to re-enter and the same to hold and possess unto until the said Quit Rent and all arrearages thereof, together with the charges accruing by means of such non-payment and Re-entry aforesaid be fully paid and discharged.

In Witness whereof the said Thomas Penn as well by virtue of the powers and authorities in him vested by the said John and Richard Penn as of his own right, hath caused the great seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed. Given at Philadelphia this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty six the tenth year of the reign of George the Second over Great Britain Cr. King and the nineteenth year of our Government.

THO. PENN { SEAL }

A brief of title to the foregoing tract, in the handwriting of Judge Benjamin Markley, made about the year 1812, was still preserved (about 1880) among the title papers of one of the farms formed from this property.

- 1681. Octob^r 11 & 12th. Deed Lease & Release from William Penn Esq to William Baken for 5000 Acres of Land.
- 1718. February 19 & 20. Deed Lease & Release from said William Baken to Humphrey Murry & John Budd for said 5000 Acres of Land.
- 1719. June 28th. Two Warrants by Commissioners of Property were granted unto Humphrey Murry and John Budd one dated March & the other June 28th 1719, to have the same surveyed.
- 1720. October 25 & 26th. Deed lease and Release from Humphrey Murry & John Budd to Hans News for 725 Acres part of said 5000 Acres, which land Surveyed & Sold out unto said Hans News in two Several Tracts one of 500 Acres the other of 225 Acres on the 2 & 3^d days of November 1720.

1726. January 24. Deed from Hans News and Yonican his wife to Michael Dotterer for 150 Acres part of said 5000 Acres in Frederick Township March 15th 1786. Benjamin Eastburn Surveyor General Draught for said 150 Acres of Land.
1736. March 22^d. Patent John Penn Thomas Penn & Richard Penn to said Michael Dotterer for said 150 Acres of Land.
1763. November 14th. Deed from s^d Michael Dotterer & Ann Mary his wife to their son Michael Dotterer for said 150 Acres of Land.

DEED FOR FOURTH LAND PURCHASE.

This Indenture, Made the twenty second day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty one. Between William Parsons of the County of Lancaster, Esquire, and John Ross and Robert Greenway of the City of Philadelphia, Gent, of the one part, And Michael Tothera of Hanover Township in the county of Philadelphia Yeoman of the other part. Witnesseth, that the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway in consideration of the sum of Twenty two pounds three shillings and four pence lawful money of Pennsylvania, to them in hand paid by the said Michael Totherah, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, release and confirm unto the said Michael Tothera and to his heirs and assigns, A certain tract or piece of land, situate in the said township, Beginning at a White Oak in the line of Henry Grob's land, thence extending by the same South forty six degrees and three quarters East one hundred and twenty eight perches to a post in the chief line of Mumbower's land thence by the same and by the said Michael Tothera's other land South forty three degrees West one hundred and twenty nine perches to a post thence by the said Tothera's other land North forty seven degrees West one hundred and thirty perches to a post in a line of Christopher Bittenbinder's land thence by the same North forty four degrees East one hundred and twenty nine perches and a half to the place of beginning. Containing One hundred and four (104) acres and fifty (50) perches of land [part of 2680 acres which Septimus Robison Esq. late High Sheriff of the City and County of Philadelphia by Deed Poll of the fifth day of March 1739 acknowledged in Open Court, did bargain and sell unto Samuel Johnston in fee, who granted the same unto the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway in fee by Indenture of the 5th day of August 1746 and the said 2680 acres tract is part of six thousand acres which John Henry Sprogell did grant unto Thomas Tresse, the elder, in fee, by Indenture of the eighth day of November 1712, and since the decease of the said Thomas Tresse the same six thousand acres were taken in execution for debts owing by him and sold in two several tracts by the said late Sheriff.] Together also with all and singular the ways, woods, waters, water-courses, privileges, improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging, and the reversions and remainders thereof and all and every the Estate, right, title, interest, use, trust, property, claim and demand whatsoever of them the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway or any of them, of, in or to the same. To have and to hold the said described tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Tothera his heirs and assigns, to the only use and behoof of the said Michael Tothera, his heirs and assigns forever. Under the yearly quit rent due and to become due for the same to the Chief Lord or Lords of the Fee thereof. And the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway and their heirs, the said described tract or piece of land, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances unto the said Michael Totherah his heirs and assigns against them the said William Parsons, John Ross, and Robert Greenway and their and every of their heirs respectively and against the said Thomas Tresse, the elder, deceased, and against the nephew Thomas Tresse, the younger, deceased, and their and each of their heirs, and also against the said John Henry Sprogell deceased and Lodwick Christian Sprogell also deceased, and their and each of their heirs, and against all and every other person and persons lawfully claiming or to claim by from or under them or any of them, and against no other person or persons whomsoever in any wise shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In Witness Whereof the said parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals hereto, dated the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered
[by the above named Wm. Parsons]
in the presence of us
Thomas Willing
Edmund Physick
Sealed and delivered
[by the above named John Ross and
Robert Greenway]
in the presence of us
Peacock Bigger
James Biddle

WM. PARSONS

{ SEAL }

JOHN ROSS

{ SEAL }

ROBERT GREENWAY

{ SEAL }

CONVEYANCES BY MICHAEL DOTTERER TO HIS SONS.

This Indenture, Made the twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty six, Between Michael Dotterer, alias Doudera of New Hanover Township in the County of Philadelphia, Yeoman, and Anna Maria his wife of the one part, and Philip Dotterer of the same place, Yeoman, (the eldest son and heir of the said Michael Dotterer and Annie Maria his said wife) of the other part. Whereas in and by a certain Indenture bearing date the fourth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty six, made or mentioned to be made by and between John Henry Sprogel of the city of Philadelphia, Gentleman, of the one part, and the said Michael Dotterer of the other part, He the said John Henry Sprogel for the consideration therein mentioned did grant, bargain, sell, release and confirm, unto the said Michael Dotterer, A certain piece or tract of land situate in the said county: Beginning at a post at a corner of Michael Dotterer's other land in Sprogel's line, thence North West one hundred and twenty one perches and four feet to a post put for a corner, thence South West one hundred and thirty two perches to a post in the line of Jacob Meyer's land, thence by the same and by Hans Sinkmans land South East one hundred and twenty one perches and four feet to a post at a corner of the said Michael Dotterers other land thence by the same North East one hundred and thirty two perches to the place of beginning, Containing one hundred acres, Together with the appurtenances, To hold to the said Michael Dotterer his heirs and assigns for ever as in and by the said recited Indenture relation being thereunto had may more at large appear. And Whereas, since the execution of the above recited Indenture it appears that the said John Henry Sprogel was not wholly entitled to the said described one hundred acre tract of land, but only to sixty nine acres and fifty perches part thereof and the remaining thirty acres and one hundred and ten perches the residuary part of the said one hundred acres among other lands become since vested in William Parsons Esq. John Ross Esq. and Robert Greenway, Gent. And Whereas in and by a certain Indenture bearing date the twenty second day of June in the year of our Lord 1751 made or mentioned to be made by and between the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway of the one part, and the said Michael Dotterer of the other part. They the said William Parsons, John Ross and Robert Greenway for the consideration therein mentioned did grant, bargain, sell, release, and confirm unto the said Michael Dotterer, A certain tract or piece of land situate in New Hanover Township aforesaid, Beginning at a White Oak in the line of Henry Grub's land, thence extending by the same South forty six degrees and three quarters East one hundred and twenty eight perches to a post in the chief line Mumbaver's land, thence by the same and by the said Michael Dotterers land South forty three degrees East one hundred and twenty nine perches to a post, thence by the said Dotterer's other land North forty seven degrees East one hundred and thirty perches to a post in a line of Christopher Bittenbinder's land, thence by the same North forty four degrees East one hundred and twenty nine perches and a half to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred and four acres and fifty perches of land. In which last described tract the above said thirty acres and one hundred and ten perches of land part of the said one hundred acre tract are included. Together with the appurtenances to hold to the said Michael Dotterer his heirs and assigns forever, as in and by the said recited Indenture, relation being thereunto had may more at large appear. Now This Indenture, Witnesseth, That the said Michael Dotterer and Anna Maria his wife as well for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which they have and do bare for and toward their said son the said Philip Dotterer, and for his perferment in the world, as also for and in consideration of the

sum of one hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania unto the said Michael Dotterer and Anna Maria his wife, in hand well and truly paid by the said Philip Dotterer at and before the sealing and delivery hereof the receipt whereof they the said Michael Dotterer and Anna Maria his wife do hereby acknowledge, and thereof do acquit and forever discharge the said Philip Dotterer his heirs and assigns by these presents, have granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, release and confirm unto the said Philip Dotterer and to his heirs and assigns, All those the above described two pieces or tracts of land situate, bounded and being as above said and containing in the whole one hundred and seventy three acres and one hundred and fifty perches of land. Together, also, with all and singular the buildings, improvements, ways, woods, waters, water-courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments, and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto respectively belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversions and remainders thereof, and all the Estate right, title, interest, use, possession, property, claim and demand whatsoever of them the said Michael Dotterer and Anna Maria his wife in and to the hereby granted or mentioned to be granted premises. To have and to hold the said one hundred and seventy acres and one hundred and fifty perches of land, be the same more or less, hereditaments and premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted with the appurtenances respectively unto the said Philip Dotterer his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of the said Philip Dotterer his heirs and assigns forever. Under the proportionable part of the yearly Quit Rent hereafter accruing for the hereby respectively granted premises unto the Chief Lord or Lords of the fee thereof. And the said Michael Dotterer for himself, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators doth covenant, promise and grant to and with the said Philip Dotterer his heirs and assigns by these presents, that he the said Michael Dotterer hath not heretofore done, committed or wittingly or willingly suffered to be done or committed any act, matter, cause or thing whatsoever whereby the premises hereby granted or mentioned to be granted or any part thereof or parcel thereof are is or shall or may be impeached charged or incumbered in title, charge, estate or otherwise howsoever. In Witness Whereof the said parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals hereunto dated the day and year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered in
presence of us.

George Nyce
Jacob Meyer

MICHAEL DOTTERER

{ SEAL }

ANNA MARIA ^{her} O DOTTERER
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{ SEAL }

On the seventh day of August in the year of our Lord 1758 Before me John Koplin Esq. one of the Justices &c. came the above named Michael Dotterer and Anna Maria his wife and acknowledged the above written Indenture to be their Deed and desired that the same may be recorded as their deed. The said Anna Maria thereunto voluntarily consenting. She being of full age, secretly and apart examined and the contents of the same writing being first made known unto her. Witness my hand and seal the day and year abovesaid.

JOHN KOPLIN [SEAL].

{ } Received the day of the date of the within written Indenture of the within
{ } named Philip Dotterer the sum of one hundred pounds, it being the
consideration within mentioned, I say received per me, Michael Dotterer.

Witnesses present at signing,
Frederick Antes, Conrad V. Smith.

The first described tract described in the within deed bounds by Michael Krebs' land South West and from thence it runs 41 perches South east, thence North east eight perches and thence South east. Recorded ye 27th August 1761.

This Indenture made the fourteenth Day of November In the Year of our Lord 1763, Between Michael Doderer of Frederick township and County of Philadelphia Yeoman With Ann Mary his Wife of the one part and Michael Doderer their Son Junior of the sayd Township and County aforesaid Yeoman of the other Part, Witnesseth that the sayd Michael Doderer with Ann Mary his Wife for the Natural Love and Affection which the have and Beare unto their Sayd Son Michael Doderer Junior and for and in consideration of the further sum of Two Hundred and Fifty

Pounds current and Lawful Money of Pensilvania to them paid by the sayd Michael Doderer junior have granted unto the said Michael Doderer junior Two pieces or Tracts of Land adjoining each other situated in Frederick Township and County of Philadelphia aforesaid The one of them Beginning at a Corner of John Neys' Land by the same North West one Hundred and eighty two Perches to a Line of the German Company's Land, thence by the same North East one Hundred and thirty two Perches to a Corner of the said Michael Doderer Juniors other Land, thence by the same and by land of George Philip Doderer South East one hundred and eighty two perches to a post thence by the sayd George Phillip Doderers Land South West one hundred and thirty two perches to the Place of beginning, containing one hundred and fifty Acres of Land. It Being the sayd one hundred and fifty acres of Land which John Penn, Thomas Penn and Richard Penn Esqrs. by their Pattent Bearing Datte the Twenty second Day of March Anno Domini 1736 Did grant and Confirm unto the said Michael Doderer Senior as and by the sayd Pattent Recorded in Philadelphia in Pattent Book A Voll. 8, Page 199, appears The other Tract Beginning at a Post in a Line of a Trakt of Land Called the Germant Trakt & a corner of the sayd Michael Doderer Seniors other Land thence extending by the same South East one hundred and five perches to a Post thence by land of George Phillip Doderer north East Eighty one Perches to a Post thence by Vacant Land North West one hundred and five perches to a Post in the aforesayd Line of the Gearman Trakt & Thence by the Same South West Eighty one Perches to the place of Beginning Containing fifty Acres of Land and an Allowance Proportionable to Six Acres pr. Cent for Roads and Highways. It Being the sayd fifty acres of Land wich John Penn, Thomas Penn and Richard Penn Esqrs. by their Pattent Bearing Datte the Twentieth Day of January Anno Domini 1736 Did grant, Release and Confirm to Michael Doderer Senior as in and by the sayd Pattent Recorded in Philadelphia in Pattent Book A Voll. 8, Page 169 appears To have and to hold the above described To Trakts of Land under the Proportionable Yearly Quit Rent hereafter accruing.

MICHAEL DOTTERER [L. s.]

ANA MARY ^{her}W DOTTERER [L. s.]
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Witnesses: Johannes Schmit, Fridrick Antes.

Before Fridrick Antes, Justice.

NOTES.

Michael Dotterer (Michell Doderer), in March, 1724-5, joined his father, George Philip Dodderer, his brother, Hieronimus Doderer, and upwards of twenty other residents of the neighborhood, in a petition for a road from Bebbber's (Skippack) township to George Warner's mill, at the north end of Sprogell's great tract of 23,777 acres.

Extract from a Statement of Rent payable by parties "Settled on Proprietaries Mannor at Manantawny per agreement of Isaac Norris." (Manuscript in the archives of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania):

"172½ Mich^l Tuthrer at 10 bus^l per ann p^d 20 bus^l"

"due 30 } has the wheat ready & will bring it as soon as
weather permits.

"January 25, 173½.

WM. BIDDLE.

"To the Hon^{ble} John Penn, Esq."

The tract of one hundred acres purchased from John Henry Sprogell, May 4, 1726, part of the Great Tract, also called the Manatawny Tract, is referred to, without doubt, in the above statement.

Michael Dotterer and his father, George Philip Dodderer, were petitioners for the erection of the township of Frederick. He signed his name—Hanns Michell Doderer. The petition was presented to the Justices of the Quarter Sessions, at Philadelphia, the first day of March, 1730-31.

In 1734, Michael Dotterer was rated for one hundred and fifty acres in Frederick township, Philadelphia county.

Michael Dodderer, Jun., and Jacob Nyce witnessed the will of Jno. Nice, of Frederick township, dated February 5, 1738/9. ("Jun." may here be used to distinguish him from a Michael Dodderer unknown to us.)

William Frey, Michael Doder, George Hübner and Henry Antes were witnesses to the inventory of the estate late of John Nice, of Frederick township, deceased, exhibited June 1, 1743.

Michael Dotterer was naturalized by act of Assembly passed May 19, 1739, confirmed by the King in Council May 12, 1740.

Second month 6, 1741, Michael Dotterer paid the Proprietaries quit rent on 50 acres in Frederick township, for 4 years in full, £0 8 4.

Michael Dotterer, Bernhard Dotterer, George Yerger and Philip Hahn witnessed the will of Michael Krebs, of New Hannover township, dated January 10, 1744; and March 7, 1744, Michael Dodderer and Bernhard Dodderer appeared before Peter Evans, Register General, and proved the will.

Warrants for land were granted to Michael Dotterer, according to the Proprietaries' records, as follows:

Michael Totherah, 50 acres in Philadelphia county, surveyed November 8, 1734.
Michael Totherah, 100 acres in Bucks county, surveyed January 20, 1747.
Michael Totherah, 100 acres in Bucks county, surveyed January 20, 1747.
Michael Tothera, 20 acres in Bucks county, surveyed February 14, 1749.

Philip Hahn and Michael Dotterer were executors of the estate of John Beener, tanner, of Falkner Swamp, who died in 1748. See Perkio-men Region, Volume Two, page 79; also Saur's Germantown newspaper, June and August, 1748.

Michael Totherah, February 14, 1750, paid £5, on account of 20 aeres adjoining his other land on Trucker Creek in Bucks County.

—Penn Journals.

March 2, 1752, Michael Totherah paid Quit Rent on 150 acres, and on 50 acres, in Frederick township, 11 years, £3 7 0.

In the tax list of Frederick township, for the year 1776, appears opposite the name of Michael Dotterer, Jr., son of our subject, this enumeration: "220 acres, 3 horses, 4 cows; maintains his parents." Taking into consideration the reference, in the will of Michael Dotterer, to articles of agreement between himself and his son, Michael Dotterer, in connection with the words "maintains his parents," we infer that the son assumed by agreement the maintenance and care of his parents during their natural lives, in exchange for compensation made in the transfer of the real estate to him by the father, under date of November 14, 1763.

The original Patent for the fifty acres purchased from the Proprietaries January 20, 1736, was in possession of George S. Nyce, of Frederick, Pennsylvania, in 1875. The wax seal, slightly broken, was fastened by ribbons to the parchment.

The original Patent of Confirmation of the deed for one hundred and fifty acres granted by Hans Newes January 24, 1726, was, in 1878, in possession of George Mock, then a resident of New Hanover township. The greater part of the wax seal was broken off and lost.

REFERENCES.

Jacob Fisher, of New Goshenhoppen. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 6.

The Great Tract of 22,377 Acres—Frankfort Company's Land—The Manatawny Tract—The German Tract—Sprogell's Tract—The German Company's Land. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 98.

New Goshenhoppen Reformed Church. See Rev. Dr. C. Z. Weiser's Monograph of the New Goshenhoppen and Great Swamp Reformed Charge, 1882. See, also, Rev. Prof. Wm. J. Hinke's Record of Goshenhoppen Reformed Charge, 1731-1761, in Perkiomen Region, Volume Three, page 76, et seq.

3. HIERONIMUS DODERER² (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born about 1701; married Catharine——; died in November, 1727. Children:

19. Veronica Doderer³, born January 7, 1725.

20. Agnes Doderer³, born February 14, 1727.

On the 16th day of January, 1728, letters of administration upon the estate of Hieronimus Doderer, deceased, were granted to his widow Catharine, who before this date had married Michael Krause. The sureties on the administration bond were John Greathouse, Balthus Fauts and Michael Krause.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

Whereas Heironimus Dodorer lately dyed Intestate (as is affirmed) having whilst he lived & at the time of his Death divers Rights & Creditts within the said Province & County & By means whereof the full disposition & Power of granting the Administration of all & singular the goods Rights & creditts of the said Dec'd and also the auditing the accounts calculations & Reconings of the said Administration & a finall Dismission of the same to me is manifestly known to belong I Desiring that the goods Rights & Creditts which were of the said Deced may be well & truly administered converted & Disposed of to pious uses Do hereby grant unto you the said Catherine Crouse (in whose fidelity in this behalf I very much confide) full power by the tenor of these presents to administer the goods chattels Rights & Creditts which were of the said Do^oDo within the said Province & County and also to ask collect, Levy Recover & Receive the Creditts whatsoever of the said Do^oDo which at the time of his Death were owing or to him did any way belong & to pay the debts in which the said Do^oDo stood obliged so far forth as y^e said goods Rights & Creditts will extend according to the Rate & order of Law especially of well & truly administering the goods Rights & Creditts of the said Do^oDo & making a true & perfect Inventory thereof & exhibiting the same into the Reg^r Generall's office at Philadelphia at or before the sixteenth day of ffebruary next and rendering a true &

Just account calculation or Reconing of the said administration at or before the seventeenth day of January one thousand seven hundred & twenty-nine. And I Do by these Presents Ordain, Constitute and Depute you the said Catherine Crouse administratrix of all & singular the goods Chattells Rights & Creditts which were of the said Do^{or} within the Limits aforesaid saving harmless & forever Indemnifying one & all other officers against all other persons by reason of your administration aforesaid & saving to all others their Rights. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto sett my Hand & seal of Office at Philad^a the sixteenth day of January In the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred & twenty eight.

PET. EVANS, Reg. Gen^l.

INVENTORY.

The inventory filed in Court bears two endorsements: "Inventory of the Estate of Hieronimus Dodorer, Dec'd. Published 16 Jany 1728," and "The Invitory of the Estate of the Widdow Dodoroh," and is as follows:

AN INVITORY

of the Estate of Uronomuss Dodorer, Deceased Late of the County of Philadelphia, in the Province of Pencilveania.

	£	s.	d.
1 pair of Leather briches at 5 Shillings	00	05	00
1 homespun Suit of Drugget at 40 Shillings	02	00	00
1 Broad Cloth Vest at	00	10	00
1 felt Hatt at	00	01	06
1 Pair of Spatter Dashes at	00	02	00
1 Mare and a horse Colt at	06	00	00
1 Black Horse at 5 Pound	05	00	00
1 Chestnut colloured Mare at 5 Pound	05	00	00
1 Bay horse at 5 pound ten Shillings	05	10	00
1 Brindle Cow at 2 pound 15 Shillings	02	15	00
1 Bay Colt at	02	00	00
1 Black Colt at	01	05	00
1 Red Cow at	02	05	00
1 Red Heifer at	02	00	00
1 Spotted Heifer at	01	10	00
3 Sheep at	00	18	00
3 Piggs at	00	09	00
1 Plow and Plow Tackling at	01	08	00
1 Saddle and two Bridles at	00	10	00
to a Dutch Addez and a broad ax at	00	09	00
1 Grubbing and 2 rings and 5 wedges at	00	08	06
1 Ax and broad hough and a Drawing Knife at	00	05	06
1 Iron Pott at	00	13	00
1 Little Iron Pott at	00	05	00
1 half Barrel at	00	01	06
1 Little Cagg at	00	01	00
a Cutting Box and Knife at	00	10	00
5 Bushels of Barley at	00	15	02
40 Bushel unthreshed Wheat at	04	16	08
15 Bushels of Clean Wheat at	02	00	00
the Green Corn and the Improvements 56 Pounds	56	00	00
18 Pound in Money	18	00	00
6 Pound due to the Estate	06	00	00
	128	09	00

A true and Perfect Account Given by us John Pawling and William Woodley Appraisers of the said Estate as Wittness our hands this 4th day of January, 1727.

JNO. PAWLING

WILLIAM WOEDLE

At the same time was filed this statement:

the Debt of Heronmus Doderer Ny Hannover township in the county of Philadelphia and Province of Pensilvania Decased November 1727.

to Anthony Hincell in Hannover township	00 : 12 : 00
to Johannes Percebil in the said township	00 : 06 : 06
to Peter Rife in Bobyery township	00 : 13 : 09
to Cristian Statler in hannover township	00 : 02 : 06
to William Woodle in Limbric township	06 : 19 : 00
to Ellse Elizabeth in Garmantown	01 : 04 : 00
to Ludwidg Sprogle in Philadelphia	01 : 05 : 00
to Thomas Rutter in Philadelphia	00 : 06 : 06
to Michell Herger of hannover township	00 : 09 : 00
to Joseph Groofe Ny hannover township	00 : 06 : 00
to Michell Crouse of hannover township	03 : 00 : 00
to John Palling of Babry township	03 : 07 : 00
to hans Senseman of hannover	00 : 06 : 00
to A. Shomacer	00 : 07 : 00
to George Pillip Doderer Ny hannover township	00 : 12 : 06
to Bastian Raffsnider of hannover township	00 : 11 : 04
to A. Shomacer Garmentown	00 : 01 : 06
to George Holebach in Hannover township	00 : 01 : 06
to Christophel foonck in Garmentown	00 : 03 : 00
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CATHARINE C.K. KRAUSE.
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The foregoing inventory indicates that Hieronimus Doderer was a young farmer of considerable importance for those times. He had no lack of horses and cattle, and grain and money, and of farming implements he had a limited supply, but no wagon or carriage appears in the list of his possessions. There is no clue to the location of his farm; apparently he did not own it. At the date of his death Hanover and Limerick townships had been erected, but not Frederick township. There are no church records to which we can turn for information about the young settler. He was, we may safely assume, attached to Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation, of which his father was an officer. This congregation was organized in 1725 by John Philip Boehm, who was its pastor until 1748, but its records were kept in a private book by the pastor, and they are lost.

Catharina Doderer, widow of Hieronimus Doderer, shortly after her husband's death, married Michael Krause. Her maiden name does not appear in the meagre records at hand. The children of Michael and Catharina Krause were:

George Krause, born about 1729; confirmed a member of New Hanover Lutheran church, April 8, 1750, aged 21; married Christina Singer.

Mary Krause, married Peter Smith.

Elizabeth Krause, born about 1734; confirmed April 8, 1750, aged 16.

Salome Krause, born about 1736; confirmed April 8, 1750, aged 14; married, April 18, 1754, John Michael Renn.

Catharina Krause, married Jacob Beltz.

Michael Krause, buried, January 3, 1797, at Leidig's graveyard. He was lame.

Daniel Krause.

October 9, 1728, Michael Kraus bought of Humphrey Morrey and John Budd, 170 acres of land, on the banks of Swamp creek, lying mostly or wholly within the limits of Frederick township as afterwards erected. In 1734 he was taxed in Frederick township for 150 acres; in 1769, for 150 acres, a grist mill, 4 horses and 4 horned cattle; in 1774, for 150 acres, a grist mill, and one servant; in 1776 he was assessed for 150 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, $\frac{1}{2}$ a grist mill; aged, and a crippled son and childish wife; in 1785, he was a taxable in Frederick township. He died December 11, 1797, and is buried in Leidig's graveyard. The date of his wife's death is not known.

NOTES.

Hieronimus is the Latin for Jerome. In the few records we have this name is written in various ways: Hieronimus, Uronomiss and Eronemus, and in one case tradition renders it Grünimus.

Hironimus Doderer is one of a number of names signed to the petition dated March, 1724 for a road from Bebbler's township to George Warner's mill, in Sproggell's Tract.

Veronica Doderer and Agnes Doderer, daughters of Hieronimus Doderer, made matrimonial alliances with prominent farmers of Falkner Swamp—the former was the wife of Philip Yost; the latter, of Jost Bitting.

4. BARBARA DODDERER² (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born about 1704; married, February 13, 1722, Jacob Markley; died, in Skip-pack, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1738. Jacob Markley, son of Abraham and Anna Veronika Merkle, of Bonfeld, near Heilbronn, in Wurtemberg, was born July 11, 1701; died, in the township of Perkiomen and Skip-pack, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, August 29, 1784. Children:

21. Abraham Markley³, born August 12, 1723.

22. Philip Markley³, born August 27, 1725.

23. ——— Markley³ (a daughter), born on New Year's Day, 1727; died soon after.

24. Isaac Markley³, born May 24, 1729.

25. Veronica Markley^s, born April 1, 1732.
26. Rebecca Markley^s, born about 1734.
27. Christina Markley^s, born May 27, 1736.
28. Catharine Markley^s, born May 9, 1738.

Jacob Markley married (second) Barbara Rausch, born April 14, 1714. Children:

Eleanor Markley, born February 5, 1741; confirmed a member of Providence Lutheran church June 1, 1760; married Tobias Boganer.

Elizabeth Markley, married Paulus Benner.

Mary Magdalena Markley, born November 9, 1744.

Barbara Markley, born October 6, 1746; married, by license issued March 28, 1772, John Smith.

Hannah Markley, confirmed at Providence Lutheran church in the year 1770, aged 18; married, January 11, 1774, Jacob Brotzman.

As early as the year 1725 we find the name of Jacob Märckley—so he wrote it—signed to a petition for a road in the Skippack region.

July 17, 1728, Jacob Markley purchased of Jost Heydt, 100 acres in Philadelphia county, and November 28, 1728, he bought of Nicholas Scull 132 acres in Bebbertownship. These tracts were located in the limits of the present East Perkiomen township. A portion of the plantation was owned (1884) by Jacob J. Markley, a great-great-grandson. In 1734, Jacob Markle is reported as a taxable of Perkiomen and Skippack township, owning 200 acres. First month 13, 1734, Jacob Markley paid quit rent for 382 acres of land in Bebbertownship (the original name of Perkiomen and Skippack township), £1 12 4, in full. In the census taken June 5, 1756, of "Parkiomen & Skippaake" township, he is returned thus: Jacob Marcly, housekeeper; occupation, farmer; 4 children under 21; acres owned, 150—50 acres cleared, 15 acres sowed with corn; 1 horse; 3 horned cattle. In 1769, his proprietary tax was £15 5 4, on 150 acres, 1 horse, 3 horned cattle. In 1776, he was rated on 150 acres, 1 horse, 3 horned cattle. In 1781 he was assessed, in Skippack township, for Effective Supply Tax £4 10 0, on a valuation of £300, and, in 1782, £1 15 4 on a valuation of £225 0 0. In 1783, his name appears in the Federal tax list, "Jacob Markley's estate, 100 acres," indicating that he had relinquished farming and rented his property.

Jacob Markley's property lay along the Skippack road, and his homestead stood near this historic highway, about one and a half miles below Pennypacker's Mills, on Perkiomen creek. On Nicholas Scull's map of 1759, the word "Markly" designates a house built on land previously owned by him. That he was a large farmer and an influential citizen is evident. In the newspapers of his time is found occasional reference to him. In July, 1776, a horse was stolen from him. He inserted an advertisement offering a reward for its recovery in two leading papers. In the Pennsylvania Gazette of July 31, 1776, we find:

Five Pounds Reward.

STOLEN from the subscriber, living in Perkiomen township, Philadelphia county, the 12th of July inst., at night a Strawberry-roan HORSE, 9 years old, about 16 hands high, with a white star in his forehead, paces and trots, carries lofty, was shod on one of his fore feet. Whoever takes up the said horse and thief, and secures them, so that the thief may be brought to justice, and the owner may have the horse again, shall have the above reward for both, or Three Pounds for the horse only, and reasonable charges, paid by JACOB MERKLEY.

In Henry Miller's Staatsbote he inserted this:

Fünf Pfund Belohnung.

Den 13ten July, 1776.



ES ist letzten Nacht dem Endenamen, wohnhaft in Perkiomen Taunschip, in Philadelphia County, ein roth-rohn Pferd gestohlen worden. Es ist 9 Jahr alt, bey 16 Hand hoch, hat einen Stern vorm Kopf, geht den Pass und Trat, und tragt den Kopf hoch, war nur an einem Vorderfuss beschlagen. Wer gemeldetes Pferd und den Dieb aufnumme, und so verwahrt, dass der Dieb rechtlich belangt werden kan und der Eigner das Pferd wieder bekommt, soll obige Belohnung von Fuenf Pfund fuer beyde haben, oder Drey Pfund fuer das Pferd allein, nebst Erstattung billiger Kosten, von

JACOB MERKLEY.

HIS WILL.

Jacob Markley, of Skippack and Perkiomen township, yeoman, under date of June 10, 1779, made his will. It was quite a formidable paper. After making provision for his widow, he directed that after his daughter Elianor, wife of Tobias Boganor, was paid the sum of five shillings, the proceeds of his estate should be divided into eleven parts, to be distributed as follows: One share to his son Abraham; one share to his son Philip; one share to his son Isaac; one share to the five children of his daughter Vronica; one share to his daughter Christianna, wife of William Antes; one share to his daughter Elizabeth Benner; one share to his daughter Barbarah, wife of John Smith; one share to his daughter Rebekah, wife of Frederick Isaac; one share to his daughter Hannah, wife of Jacob Prutzman; one share to his daughter Caterine; one share to his sons Abraham and Isaac in trust, only for the use of his daughter Elianor Boganor; in case of the death of her husband, before her death, to be

paid to her; if she died before her husband, then her children to have it; Abraham Markley and Isaac Markley, sons of the testator, were appointed executors. Witnesses to the will—William Penebacer and Jacob Markley (cordwainer). The will was proven January 24, 1785.

HIS FAMILY BIBLE.

The Bible owned by Jacob Markley was printed at Nuremberg in 1725. It is illustrated with numerous small pictures, at the beginning of each Book is given a history of that Book, and remarks follow important verses. It contains a lengthy family record, written by Jacob Markley, the original owner, Philip Markley, his son, and George Boyer, a later descendant. In the year 1884, this Bible was exhibited at the Montgomery County centennial celebration at Norristown. On a fly-leaf at its beginning is a short account of the successive owners of the ancient volume, as follows:

This Bible was originally the property of Jacob Markley,—From whom it descended to his son Philip,—After whose death it became the property of John Zieber, intermarried with Elizabeth, eldest daughter of said Philip Markley.

And after the decease of said John Zieber and wife it became the property of John Boyer, a grandson of said John Zieber (March 13, 1830)—(said John Boyer being eldest son of Mary (Maria) eldest daughter of said John Zieber, who was intermarried with George Boyer, a son of George Boyer, of Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania.

The present owner of the Bible is John Markley Hartman, M. E., of Mount Airy, Philadelphia.

CHURCH CONNECTION.

Jacob Markley and family were connected with the Providence (Trappe) Lutheran church. In a list dated the 27th of November, 1760, is the name of Jacob Merckle, as a contributor of 10 shillings toward the salary of Rev. Mr. Muhlenberg, pastor of that congregation.

In the record of the Providence (Trappe) Lutheran church occur the following entries:

Anna Barbara, daughter of Jacob Merckel and wife, born 6th October, 1746, was baptized 29th March, 1747; godparents, Abraham Merckel and wife.

April 7, 1751, in Providence, was confirmed: Veronica Merckelin, Jacob Merckels tochter 19 Jahr alt. Kan etwas lesen.

June 1, 1760, was confirmed: Nella des Jacob Merckels tochter bey 17 Jahr alt.

In the year 1770 was confirmed: Hanna Mercklin Jacob's daughter. 18.

1751, April 30. Georg Schwenck and Veronica Merckelin, Jacob Merckel's daughter, were married.

1757, July 13. Christian Brenneiman and Catharina Merckelin, Jacob Merckle's daughter, were married.

Jacob Merckel and wife Barbara were sponsors for Jacob, son of Jurg Schwenck and wife Euphronica; born 7th June, baptized 3rd August, 1755.

JACOB MARKLEY'S ANCESTRY.

Jacob Markley, born July 11, 1701, was the son of Abraham and Veronika Merkle, of Bonfeld, district of Heilbronn, Wurtemberg.

Abraham Merkle, father of Jacob Markley, was born March 1, 1664, and was the son of Jörg (George) Merklin and Eva, his wife, of Wimpfen am Berg, in the grand-duchy of Hesse, not far from Heilbronn.

A clue to Jacob Markley's ancestors in German was found in this way: George Paul Merckel came to Pennsylvania in 1775. In a newspaper in Philadelphia, February 21, 1775, he gave notice that it was his purpose to return to his home in Germany, which he stated was Wimpfen. Upon the discovery of this advertisement, in 1885, John Markley Hartman, M. E., of Mount Airy, Philadelphia, opened a correspondence with the pastor at Wimpfen, which resulted in the examination of the church records at Wimpfen and Bonfeld, places not far apart, and in the construction of a genealogical table by Pastor Schumann, the Evangelical pastor of the State Church at Bonfeld. It was ascertained that George Paul Merckel was the son of Andreas Jeremias Merckle, who was a brother of our Jacob Markley; consequently, George Paul Merckel was a nephew of our Jacob Markley. The genealogical table was published under the title *Stammtafel der Familie Merkle (Merklin)*, and may be consulted in the Library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

NOTES.

Among the historical exhibits at the Montgomery County Centennial celebration at Norristown, Pa., in 1884, were deeds for land purchased by Jacob Markley and a quit-rent receipt, dated 1732, for money paid by him to the Penn government.

On July 1, 1786, the executors of the estate of Jacob Markley, deceased, sold to Jacob Markley (cordwainer), 152 acres of land, part of the decedent's plantation.

The places of Barbara Dodderer's and Jacob Markley's burial have, notwithstanding diligent search and inquiry, not been ascertained.

REFERENCE.

Bebber's Township—Skipack. See Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker's *Historical and Biographical Sketches*. "In 1702 began the settlement on the Skipack."

5. BERNHARD DODDERER², (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in Europe, about 1706; married (first) Gertrude ———; married (second), Christina Elizabeth Dewees, widow of Henry Antes; died in New Hanover township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pa., early in 1758. Christiana Elisabetha Dewees, daughter of William DeWees and Catrina Meels, his wife, was born in Pennsylvania, about 1702; married (first) at Whitemarsh, Philadelphia county, by Rev. John Philip Boehm, February 2, 1726, Henry Antes; married (second) about 1757, Bernhard Dodderer; died, in Northumberland county, Pa., October 5, 1782, aged 80. Children of Bernhard and Gertrude Dodderer:

29. Philip Dodderer^s.
30. Anna Dodderer^s.
31. Jacob Dodderer^s, born September 30, 1733.
32. Bernhard Dotterer^s, born March 31, 1736.
33. Henry Dotterer^s, born May 28, 1739.
34. Elizabeth Dotterer^s, born October 4, 1742.
35. Isaac Dotterer^s, born about January 15, 1745.

August 10, 1727, Bernhard Dodderer (under the name Barne Doudera) purchased of Lodwich Christian Sprogell, two hundred acres of land, part of the Great Tract of 22,377 acres. This property was located half a mile northwest of the present New Hanover Square, in New Hanover township, Montgomery county, Pa., and about two miles northwest of his father's plantation. It is at the eastern limits of the fertile Falkner Swamp, the valley drained by Swamp creek. It was part of the one thousand acres granted by John Henry Sprogell to Rev. Evan Evans, in two tracts, viz: July 11, 1713, six hundred acres, to be known as Rhyd y Carw (the Deer's Tail), and July 30, 1713, four hundred acres, to be known as Treveglwys (Church Town). August 19, 1725, the executors of the estate of Evan Evans granted both tracts to Lodwich Christian Sprogell. In the conveyance to Evan Evans, Swamp creek is called Neechin creek.

Young Bernhard Dodderer owned this property less than a year and certainly he had scarcely completed his primitive dwelling and farm buildings, when the neighborhood was thrown into a state of excitement and alarm, by a threatened attack from the Indians upon the settlers of Falkner Swamp. A petition, dated April y^e 29, 1728, was hurriedly circulated and signed by the principal residents of Falkner Swamp and adjoining localities, asking the Governor for protection against the hostile savages. The language of the petition, which follows, shows plainly the forebodings of the terror-stricken frontiersmen:

To the Hon^{ble} Patrik Gordon Esq^r Govern^r
the Province of Pensilvania &c^a.

The Petion of the ffrontier Inhabitants of y^e County of
Philadelphia humbly Sheweth

Whereas Your Petitioners are at Present So Alarm'd by a Noise of y^e Indians, That Several Families have Left their Plantations with what Effects they Could Possibly Carry away Women in Child bed being forced to Expose Them selves to y^e Coldness of y^e Air whereby Their Lives are In Danger. We your Petitioners Therefore humbly Pray That Your Hon^r would Be Pleased To Take or Use Such Measures with y^e Indians That your Petitioners may be freed from These Alarms. For Yet we are Inform'd That The Indians are Consulting Measures against us. We hope your Hon^r will Comply With our Humble Request To prevent as well our fears as Danger. And yo^r Petitioners as in Duty Bound Shall Ever pray &c^a.

Ap. y^e 29, 1728.

Barny Dodrer was one of the seventy-five signers to the petition. Of the near neighbors of Bernhard Dodderer who subscribed their names to the request were Friederich Antes, Henrich Antes, Elias Aff, Jacob Hermann, Henrich Bitting, Adam Herman, Andreas Bossert, John Böhner, Martin Bitting, Georg Geiger, Bastian Reiffschneider, Johannes Eschbach, Martin Zendler, Daniel Schöner, Vallentin Geiger, Christian Aiyster, Johannes Schneider, Mattes Ringer, Adam Spangler, Jacob Kraus, Ludwig Borkhart, George Hollebach. Apparently immediate relief was not sent; for three weeks later, May 20, 1728, another petition, signed by seventy-seven persons, residents of Salford, Bebbber's, Providence and other townships, was sent to the Governor. In the latter petition the statement is made: "We have sufered and Is Like to Sufer By the Ingeans; they have fell upon y^e Back Inhabitators about Falkners Swamp & New Coshahopen."

In the minutes of the Provincial Council, held at the Indian town of Conestoga, May 26, 1728, printed in Colonial Records Volume III, page 312, is an account of the cause of these troubles. Governor Patrick Gordon said to the whites and Indians present:

About eighteen Days since I received an express from the Iron works at Mahanatawny, acquainting me that Eleven foreign Indians, painted for War, & armed with Guns, Pistoles and Swords, were come amongst our Inhabitants, plundering them & taking away their Provisions by Force, whereupon some of our People, to the number of seventy men, with Arms, went to speak to them Civilly, but the Indians fired upon them & wounded some of them; Our men likewise fired on the Indians & wounded some of them also, but the Indians fired first. It was very ill done to fire.

As soon as I had this Account I took horse and went to Mahanatawny with several Gentlemen of Philadelphia, but the Indians were gone off. I found our People believed there were more coming, and therefore some Hundreds mett together with their Arms to defend themselves in case the Indians should attack them.

As I was returning home I heard news that grieved me exceedingly. I was told that two or three furious men amongst us had killed three or four Indian Friends & hurt two Girls. I went back mourning, & sent out Men to take the Murtherers, who were accordingly taken, & they are now in Irons in a Dungeon to be tried by the Laws of the Great King of all the English, as if they had Killed so many of his own Subjects.

Here we have a vivid picture of the life of the pioneer. However, a new treaty of peace was made with the Indians. No further depredations occurred. Confidence was restored, and the development of the new country proceeded.

June 19, 1730, Bernard Doderer, of Hanover township, and Gertrude, his wife, sold to Paul Hill, of the same place, cooper, seventy-six acres and twenty-two perches, part of the foregoing tract.

In the list of taxables of Hanover township for 1734, is rated Barnibus Tothero, 100 acres.

By act of Assembly, passed May 19, 1739, and confirmed by the King's Council May 12, 1740, Bernhard Dotterer was naturalized.

A PROJECTED SCHOOL.

In 1754 a benevolent movement was started in England, by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel and for the education of the Germans in America, having for its object the opening of English schools taught by English schoolmasters, in several districts in Pennsylvania. Falkner Swamp was selected as a suitable German settlement for one of these schools. A petition for the school here was signed on the part of the Reformed church members by John Philip Leidig, V. D. M., Bernard Dodderer, Conrad Dodderer, John Miller, Dieter Bucher, George Palzgraff, Valentine Kyle, Jacob Bernard, Andrew Smith, Frederick Reyrner and Henry Smith. Whether this project was put into effect at Falkner Swamp is uncertain.

HIS SECOND MARRIAGE.

Gertrude, wife of Bernhard Dodderer, whose maiden name we do not know, died in the prime of life. In the Spring of 1757, an engagement of marriage was entered into by Bernhard Dodderer, widower, and Christiana Antes, widow of Henry Antes. Preceding the marriage, on May 27, 1757, an agreement was made between the parties, the preamble to which is: Whereas a Marriage is intended and by God's permission shortly to be had and solemnized by and between the said Bernard Totterer and Christiana Antes, and the said Christiana is willing with the consent of the said Bernard to convey and assign over all her part and Interest in her former Husband's Estate unto her son Frederick Antes. This contract is recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Montgomery county, at Norristown, Pa.

Christiana Antes was the daughter of William DeWees, paper maker, on the Wissahickon. He was a native of Leeuwarden, province of Friesland, in the Netherlands, and came to this country, a lad of thirteen, with his family, who landed at New York about 1689. Henry Antes, the first husband of Christiana DeWees, was a native of Freinsheim, in the Palatinate of the Rhine, where he was born July 17, 1701. In Pennsylvania he became widely known as a man of affairs. He settled in Frederick township, and lived on his farm there, except during the period of his connection with the Moravian community, at Bethlehem, as their business manager. In religious matters he was remarkably active; so much so that he became known as the Pious Layman of Frederick-town. He died at his Frederick township home July 20, 1755, and was buried in the family burial lot on his own farm.

The auspicious union of these two persons, of near the same middle age, occupying similar desirable stations in life, with comfortable surroundings, as regards children, friends, experience and means—was destined to be of short duration. In January, 1758, he was weak in body; but what his ailment is not known. Feeling that his days on earth were few, he sent for Nicholas Bunn to draw his last will and testament, and for

his neighbors, Philip Hahn and John Zoller, to witness its execution. He died soon after this, for the will was probated less than three months from the date of its draught. By the terms this instrument—which is simple, clear and wise—little was necessary to be done, beyond the selling of his personal property and its distribution. His widow probably made her home with her sons, William Antes and Frederick Antes, both men of influence, the former residing in New Hanover township, the latter in Frederick township, on the Antes homestead. In later life she resided in Northumberland county, whither her son, Colonel Frederick Antes, moved during the Revolutionary war, or immediately after its close, and there she died, as already stated.

HIS WILL.

In the Name of God, Amen, I Bernhard Dodorow of New Hanover Township & County of Philadelphia, Yeoman being weak in body but of a sound and disposing mind and memory Blessed be God Dolors Day therefore do this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, make and ordain this my Last Will & Testament in the following manner First and Principle I recomand my soul to Almighty God who Gave it and my Body to be Decently Buried at a Christian Like manner, first it is my Will that all my just Debts & Funeral Charges be paid by my Executors hereinafter named out of my personal estate, Item, I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Phillip Dodorow the full sum of One hundred Pounds Lawful money of which he hath already reced the sum of Seventy pounds in my Lifetime & the remainder which is Thirty pounds shall be paid unto him by my son herein after named Isaac Dodorow when my s^d son Phillip Erives to the age of Forty years. Item I give & Bequeath unto my son Jacob Dodorow the full sum of One Hundred Pounds Lawful Money to be paid unto him in three payments, That is to say, the sum of Twenty five pounds when he Erives to the age of Twenty six years &c., Twenty five pounds more thereof when he Erives to the age of thirty years & Fifty pounds the residue thereof when he Erives to the age of Forty years &c. to be paid unto him by my son Barnhard Dodorow Hereinafter named. Item, I Give & Bequeath unto my son Henry Dodorow the full sum of One Hundred pounds Lawfull Money to be paid unto him in three payments, That is to say, the sum of Twenty five pounds when he Erives to the age of Twenty six years and Twenty five pound more thereof when he erives to the age of Thirty years & Fifty Pound the residue thereof when he Erives to the age of Forty years to be paid unto him by my son Isaac Dodorow: Item, I give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Dodorow the full sum of one Hundred Pounds Lawfull Money to be paid unto her in three payments that is to say, the sum of Twenty five pounds when she Erives to the age of Twenty six years & Twenty five pounds more thereof when she Erives to the age of Thirty years & Fifty pounds the residue thereof when she Erives to the age of Forty years, to be paid unto her by my son Bernhard Dodorow, & further it is my will that my s^d son Bernhard Dodorow shall give unto my said Daughter Elizabeth One Milcks Cow & a Chest & a Bed & Furniture thereunto Belonging when she Erives to the age of Twenty years if she Desires it & the Cost thereof shall be Deducted out of her first payment of Twenty five pounds &c. further I Give & Bequeath unto my s^d Daughter Elizabeth my Wimin saddle. Item I give & Bequeath unto my three Grand Children Late of my Daughter Ann Deced late wife to George Neyes the sum of Fifty pounds Lawful money to be paid unto them as followeth (viz^t) the sum of Twenty pounds unto my Grant son John Neyes to be paid unto him in Two payments Ten pound to be paid unto him when he Erives to the age of Thirty years

& Ten pounds the residue thereof when he erives to the age of Forty years, and Twenty pounds to my Grant son Joseph Neyes to be paid unto him in Two payments as afores^d, and Ten pounds to my Grant Daughter Mary Neyes to be paid unto her when she Erives to the age of Thirty years which s^d payments to my s^d Grant Children shall be paid unto them by my son Bernhard Dodorow. Item I give & Bequeath unto my son in Law George Neyes One English Shilling to be paid unto him by my sd son Bernhard Dodorow one month after my Decease. Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Isaac Dodorow the one full half part of my plantation whereon I now Live which shall be Devided in the middle through the length thereof on a straight course & he shall have the one half part on the North West side of my sd plantation Joyning to Land now belonging to George Phalzgrove and also I give & Bequeath unto my sd son Isaac Dodorow fifty acres of Wood Land Joyning to Conrad Smith Land & George Heebners Land & George Neyes Land situate in new hanover Township afsd. To hold to him the sd Isaac Dodorow the sd Two Tracts of Land above Mentioned with the appurtenances thereunto belonging his Heirs & Assigns for Ever as soon as he Erives to the age of Twenty years he paying or Causing to be paid the aforesaid sum of One hundred & Thirty pounds at such Times as is herein before appointed for payment thereof & to such of my other Children as is herein before mentioned, also I will and do order that my son Bernhard Dodorow shall give unto my son Isaac Dodorow a new Plantation Waggon with new Tire & two Horses at the value of Twenty five Pound and two milcks Cows & a plough & plough Irons & all the Gears Belonging to Two Horses as soon as my sd son Isaac Dodorow Erives to the age of Twenty years, and also I give & Bequeath unto my sd son Isaac Dodorow my Clock with the Case thereto Belonging & my new Saddle to be Delivered to him at his age of Twenty years by my son Barnhard Dodorow. Item I give & Bequeath unto my son Bernhard Dodorow the other half part of my plantation whereon I now live which is the South East side of my sd plantation where the Buildings is erected on Joyning Phillip Hann's Land & Thomas George's Land & fifty acres of Woodland Joyning this Tract & Phillip Hann's Land & Joast Freyer's Land. To hold to him the sd Barnhard Dodorow the Two above mentioned Tracts of Land with the Buildings & Appurtenances thereunto belonging his Heirs & Assigns forever, he the sd Barnhard paying or Causing to be paid therefore the sum of two hundred & Fifty pounds at such Times as is herein before appointed for payment thereof & to such of my other Children as is herein before mentioned & shall have the use of the other half part of my sd Plantation untill my sd son Isaac Dodorow Erives to his age of Twenty years but shall not sow nor Till the Land more then usel. Also I give & Bequeath unto my sd son Bernhard Dodorow all my personal Estate whatsoever Excepting my Household Goods which shall be justly appraised & the half part of the appraisement shall be paid unto my son Isaac Dodorow when he Erives at the age of Twenty years by my son Barnhard Dodorow & all the remainder of my personal Estate I give and bequeath unto my sd son Barnhard Dodorow he paying or causing to be paid all my Just ——— which I shall owe at the Time of my Decease. Together with my Funural Charges and Excepting what is Belonging to my well beloved wife herein after named and what he must give unto my son Isaac Dodorow at his age of Twenty years. Item I give & Bequeath unto my well Beloved wife Christiana Dodorow the sum of Twenty shillings yearly During her Natural Life to be paid unto her by my son Barnhard Dodorow Yearly if she requires it, and also that my said wife Christiana shall have all the Goods & Cows whatsoever she Brought to me, again for her one use forever as it is Mentioned in an agreement made between us; And I make & Ordain my Son Isaac Dodorow sole Executor of this my Will in Trust for the Intents & purposes in this my Will Contained and I make my Two Sons Philip Dodorow and Jacob Dodorow Overseers of this my Will to Take Care & See the same performed according to my true Intent

& Meaning: In Witness Whereof, I the sd Barnhard Dodorow have to this my Last Will & Testament set my Hand & Seal the Day & Year first above written.

BERND DODDERER {SEAL}

Signed Sealed & Delivered by the sd Barnhard Dodorow as & for his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us, who were present at the signing & sealing thereof.

Johannes Zoller

Phillip Hann

Nicho^s Bunn

Philada., April 12th, 1758, Then personally appeared Philip Haun & Nicholas Bunn two of the Witnesses to the foregoing Will & on Oath did declare they saw & heard Barnhard Dodorow the Testator therein named sign seal publish & Declare the same Will for & as his Last Will & Testament & that at the Doing thereof he was of sound mind memory & understanding to the best of their Knowledge and that Johannes Zellar with them together did subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto in the presence & at the request of the Testator.

Coram. WM. PLUMSTED, Reg^r. Genl.

Be it remembered that on the 12th Day of Apl. 1758, The last Will & Testament of Bernhard Dodorow deced, in due form of Law was proved & probate & Letters Testamentary were granted to Bernhard Dodorow (Isaac Dodorow a Minor under age) Executors in the sd Will named being duely sworn well & truly to Administer the Deced^t Estate & bring an Invent^y thereof into the reg^r Genls Office at Philada. at or before the 12th Day of May next & render a true acco^t when required. Given under the Seal of the sd Office.

WM. PLUMSTEAD, Reg^r. Genl.

On "the Sevendenth Day of Abrill Ano Domeney 1758," Philip Hahn and Dieter Bucher made an inventory and appraisement of the personal property, which amounted to £144 5 2. Included were these items: Books, £2 12 7; wearing apparel, £6 9 0; 2 mares and 1 horse, together, £36 5 0; cows and heifers, £10 11 0; hogs, £1 0 6; seven sheep, £2 8 0; 2 wagons, £13 10 0; 10 acres of corn in the ground, £9 0 0; 30 bushels rye, £3 0 0; the remainder was composed of oats, flax seed, household utensils and farming implements. The sale of this property realized £23 7 3 more than the appraisement, making a total of £167 12 5, which the acting executor accounted for as follows:

The said accountant prays allowance for his several payments made out of the same as follows, vizt:

Cash paid for Probate of y ^e Will, &c.		£1 1 0
paid Erhart Sheck	℥ rect.	— 10 0
paid Hannah Kishbert	do	2 19 3
paid Philip Doderer	do	5 17 11
paid Yost Pitting	do	— 3 —
paid Geo. Ifeberger	do	— 17 8
paid Peter Shane	do	10 — —
paid Mary Hawn	do	— 2 17
paid Jacob Bowman	do	— 5 —
paid Christ ^a Sauater	do	— 8 —
paid Henry Snider	do	— 3 3
paid Henry Pennebeker	do	— 8 —
paid Michael Walter	do	— 3 —
paid John Snider	do	1 17 9

BERNHARD DODDERER.

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paid Henry Kidlinger ½ rect.	— 10 6
paid Geo. Swenk do	— 1 6
paid for sundry services in Town	— 12 6
paid at the office for making up these acco'ts fair copy &c.	1 5 —
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	£30 — 4
By allowance for the deceaseds Wearing Apparel & Books	
divided amongst all his Children and appraised at	9 1 7
By Commission on receiving & paying £53 7 7 @ 5 ½ ct.	2 13 4
Balance in hands of this Accomptant to be disposed of	
agreeable to the deceaseds Will	£125 17 2
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	£167 12 5

Philadelphia May 28th 1765.
Errors Excepted.

BARNABAS DODDERER.

CHURCH CONNECTION.

Bernhard Dodderer was, of course, a member of the Reformed Church. He appears to have been identified with the New Goshenhoppen congregation until about 1748; after this, Rev. John Philip Leydich having assumed the pastorate of Falkner Swamp congregation, he became connected with the latter church. In this he followed the course of his brother, Michael Dotterer (page 28).

Record of Baptism of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church: 1742. d. 4 Feb. (?) Elisabetha; Eltern, Bernhart Dottere, die Frau. Gertraut. Zeuge, die Mutter selbst.

Bernhard Dodderer, son of Bernhard Dodderer, was confirmed at Easter, 1751, aged 15, at Falkner Swamp Reformed church.

At Whit-suntide, 1756, Henry Dotterer in his 17th year, and Elizabeth Dotterer, in her 15th year, were confirmed at Falkner Swamp Reformed church.

NOTES.

Bernard Dodderer and Paul Linsengigler witnessed the will of Mathias Harman, of Hannover tp. dated November 23, 1734.

In December, 1735, Bernhard Doderer was one of the petitioners to have the bounds of Frankfort and New Hanover township (a sub-division of Hanover township), ascertained and recorded.

In 1740 Bernd Dodderer was an Overseer of the Poor of New Hanover township.

Bernhard Dotterer and Michael Dotterer appeared before Peter Evans, Register General, March 7, 1744, and proved the will of Michael Krebs, late of New Hannover township. They also (with Philip Hahn and George Yerger) witnessed the will, which was dated January 10, 1744.

Bernhart Dotterer and George Jörger were executors of the will of Rudolph Marolph, probated December 28, 1748. In Sauer's German-town Pensylvanische Berichte, February 16, 1751, the said executors advertise, as for rent or for sale, the mill of Rudolph Marolf, in Kohlbruckdäl (Colebrookdale).

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6. ANNA ELIZABETH DODDERER² (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Europe, December 25, 1709; married (first), Michael Zimmerman; married (second), July 6, 1741, by the pastor of New Goshenhoppen Lutheran church, Jacob Kurr; died August 28, 1779; buried at Bøhm's Reformed church, Whitpain township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pa. Michael Zimmerman, born ———; died, in Great Swamp, Bucks county, between February 8, 1741, and March 4, 1741. Jacob Kurr, born February 3, 1712; died March 25, 1797; buried at Bøhm's Reformed church. Children of Anna Elizabeth Dodderer and Michael Zimmerman:

36. Anna Elizabeth Zimmerman³.

37. Michael Zimmerman⁴.

38. Veronica Zimmerman⁵.

39. George Zimmerman³.

40. Mary Catharine Zimmerman³.

Children of Anna Elizabeth Dodderer and Jacob Kurr:

41. Anna Maria Kurr³, born May 3, 1742; baptized, by the pastor of New Goshenhoppen Lutheran church, May 23, 1742; probably died in childhood.

42. Magdalena Kurr³, born July 28, 1743.

43. Susanna Kurr³, born May 1, 1746.

44. Anna Maria Kurr³, born April 19, 1749; died August 19, 1765; buried at Bøhm's Reformed church.

45. ——— Kurr³ (a son), born in June, 1750; died July 23, 1750, aged 5 weeks; buried at the Hosensack Valley Lutheran church, at Dillingsville, Pa.

46. Maria Elizabeth Kurr³, born April 16, 1757; died September 25, 1762; buried at Bøhm's Reformed church.

MICHAEL ZIMMERMAN.

Michael Zimmerman lived in the Great Swamp region, Bucks county, Pa., before the counties of Northampton and Lehigh were detached from Bucks county. P. W. Flores, in his *Skizzen aus dem Lecha-Thale* (1880—

1886), page 220, says: "Michael Zimmerman took up from 1733-1739 at various times a total of more than 333 acres of land in the Hosensack Valley, and partly in Montgomery county, bordering on Hamilton's tract. The land passed soon afterwards into the possession of his two sons, Michael Zimmerman, Jr., and George Zimmerman. They received a patent therefor on the 23d of May, 1741, sold the greater part (255 acres) to Johannes Jund for £616, and moved to North Carolina. Jund sold it three years later to Johan Röder, of Berks county, for £1423. It remains to this time in the hands of the Röder family."

Warrants were issued by the Land Office, and surveys made to Michael Zimmerman (under the name Michael Timmerman and Timberman) as follows: 150 acres, in Philadelphia county, surveyed February 5, 1733; 100 acres, in Bucks county, surveyed September 19, 1738; 333 acres, in Philadelphia county, surveyed in 1741. June 10, 1737, Michael Zimmerman signed a petition for the erection of a township, which was named Upper Milford, now a part of Lehigh county.

The Zimmerman family, to which Michael Zimmerman belonged, was Lutheran in its religious connection.

Michael Zimmerman made a will, dated February 8, 1741, which was probated March 4, 1741. It contained these provisions:

Imprimis. My Wife Anna shall have in forehand the Lod that is the Wedding Lod to have that free.

Secondly. My wife Anna shall have the thirds of chatties and Household Goods, but of the Lands she shall have the third.

Thirdly. My wife Anna shall have the seat on my plantation 'till my youngest Son George is one and twenty years old, and by this my youngest sons aforesaid age my Land to be divided between my two sons namely Michael the eldest and George the youngest and these shall pay unto my other children the three daughters namely Elizabeth ffronica and Catrina—according to appraisement by impartial men their full share only the daughters shall have out of the fund, & not of the land.

This now to perform I chuse two Guardians over my Wife and children, Bernhart Doderer and George Zimmerman. * * MICHAEL ZIMMERMAN.

Witnesses: Peter Schuelp, Henry Seids.

The inventory was exhibited 6th May, 1741. It was headed thus: "In the Nam of god this 27th Day of March In the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty one we Barnabas Dutra and George Zimberman have Chosen two Just and able men for to preace the goods of the said Michael Zimberman, desased which is Abraham Meyer and Dewald Magling." Some of the more interesting items of the inventory, which amounted to a total of £375 2 4, were the following:

Three Couse (cows)	£ 9 0 0
Horned Chattle	11 15 0
the owl gray Horse	1 15 0
the young Gray Horse	5 10 0
the pay horse	6 0 0
the young Black Horse	5 15 0
the young pay Horse	5 10 0

the black mar and cold	5 5 0
the young pay mar	4 10 0
the sheep	2 0 0
the Winder Corne In the Ground	9 0 0
the Weat	4 7 6
the Plantation	200 0 0
Cash in the House at the time of his decease	64 3 0

The account rendered by the executors is dated February 7, 1750, at Philadelphia, and is signed: Bernhard Dodderer, Georg Zimmermann. They claim credit for the following payments:

By James Steell for the use of the Prop ^s at 3 times	73 16 —
By Geo. Sholze	5 “
By Jn ^s Sell vendue Cryer	“ 8 —
By Philip Dotterer	1 “ “
By Jacob Markle	2 “ “
By Henry Sitz	“ 8 “
By Jn ^s Make	2 10 “
By Chris ^r Jakel	“ 8 “
“ Liquor Expended at Vendue	“ 11 5
“ Leonard Ox	“ 3 10
“ Peter Shilp as a witness	“ 8 “
“ Jn ^s Kraus Weaver	“ 14 “
“ Mich ^l Shell, Shoemaker	“ 6 6
“ Chas. Brockden for Record of Deed	“ 7 6
“ do for the Patent &c.	2 9 “
“ George Hidner	1 18 “
“ Making up the ac’t	“ 17 6
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	£90 5 9
By commission on £375 2 4 @ 5 p ^{ts} ct. 18 15 1½	
“ “ “ 90 5 9 @ 5 p ^{ts} ct. 4 10 3½	
	<hr/>
	23 5 5
	<hr/>
	113 11 2
Ballance to be divided Agreeable to the Will of the Deced	261 11 2
	<hr/>
	£375 2 4

JACOB KURR.

March 2, 1746, Jacob Kurr took up about forty-seven acres of land in the Hosensack Valley; this, P. W. Flores in his sketch of Das Hosensacks-Thal, says, he sold, in 1764, to Abraham Meyer. In 1752 he took up thirty-two acres on the Hosensack mountain; this he sold, in 1764, to John Derr. He moved to Tulpehocken township, Berks county, we are informed by Mr. Flores. February 6, 1759, Jacob Kurr purchased one hundred and fifty acres, in Whitpain township, part of the plantation formerly owned and occupied by Rev. John Philip Bœhm. (See Sesqui-Centennial of Bœhm's Reformed Church, page 54.) This farm was close to Bœhm's Reformed church; the ground on which the church stands may have been a part of it. Jacob Kurr, upon obtaining possession of the one hundred and fifty acres, built a house thereon. The house in which Pastor Bœhm had lived was located on the portion of his two hundred acres not conveyed to Kurr, fronting on Skippack road. The home

erected by Jacob Kurr was torn down in 1819. Enos Roberts is the present (1902) owner and occupant of the land on which it stood. Jacob Kurr continued a resident of Whitpain township until his death.

The tax lists tell us: In 1769, Jacob Kurr of Whitpain township was assessed for Proprietary Tax £21 14 8 on 200 acres, 3 horses, 4 cattle. In 1774, his Provincial tax was £17 19 4 on 200 acres, 3 horses, 5 cattle. In 1779 he was taxed for Effective Supplies £28 0 0. In 1780, on a valuation of £7269, his tax was £145 6 9. In 1781, Jacob Curr, farmer, was taxed for Effective Supplies, on a valuation of £758, £9 13 3. In 1782, on a valuation of £830, £5 1 9. In 1783 for Federal tax he was rated on 215 acres, 1 horse, 2 cattle.

Jacob Kurr appears to have been a member of the Lutheran church. From 1742 to 1758 his name appears on the record of the Hosensack Valley Lutheran church, located at the present town of Dillingsville. In 1743 he attended there; in 1751 his name appears among the communicants; from 1755 to 1758 he contributed to the salary of the minister there. In Whitpain township, he attended Bœhm's Reformed church, near which he lived; and he is buried close to the east wall of the church. Anna Elizabeth Dodderer, his wife, is buried beside him, as are two of their children.

After the death of his wife, Anna Elizabeth Dodderer, he married Anna Oteli Hockamiller, widow. She survived him, and died about the year 1807.

Jacob Kurr made his last will and testament September 19, 1795, which was proven April 6, 1797. In his will he mentions his wife, Anna Oteli, his daughter Magdalena, wife of John Rusher; and his daughter Susanna, wife of Jacob Welker. He names as executors his son-in-law, Jacob Welker, and his friend, John Wentz, Jun., of Whitpain township. Hon. Jones Detwiler, in his address at the Sesqui-Centennial of Bœhm's Reformed Church, says: "After the death of Mr. Kurr the appraisers of the estate found large amounts (at that time) of gold coin hidden in various places in the house."

The inscriptions on the stones which mark the graves of the Kurr family at Bœhm's church, are:

Hier Ruhet
ANNA KURRIN
Geböhren den 25 De-
cember 1709 Gestorb-
en den 28 August 1779.

Hier Ruhet der Leib
des Verstorbenen
JACOB KURR
Er war geboren den 3ten
Februay 1712
und is gestorben den 25ten
March 1797
Sein Alter war 85 Jahr
1 Monat und 21 Tage

Anna Maria
KORRIN
born 19 April 1749
Died 19th August 1765
aged 16 y. 4 mo.

Maria Elizabeth
KURRIN
b. April 16, 1757
d. Sept. 25, 1762

7. CONRAD DUDDARER² (George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in September, 1712; married, in January, 1732, Magdalena ———; died in January, 1801, aged eighty-eight years and four months, and was buried January 27, 1801. In Falkner Swamp Reformed church record of deaths is this: "1797. Aug. 21. Magdalena, wife of Conrad Doderer, aged 82 years, 3 months. N. B. She lived in wedlock 65 years 7 months." Children:

- 47. Jacob Dutrow³.
- 48. Catharine Duddarer³.
- 49. Conrad Duddarer³, born May 26, 1738.
- 50. Christina Duddarer³.
- 51. Christian Duddarer³.
- 52. Susanna Duddarer³.
- 53. John Dotterer³, born November 26, 1751.
- 54. Elizabeth Duddarer³.
- 55. Abraham Dotterer³.
- 56. Magdalena Dotterer³.

Conrad Duddarer, in accordance with the provisions of his father's will, came in possession of the family seat, consisting of two hundred and fifty acres of land, lying on both sides of Society Run, in Frederick township, a short distance below the line of New Hanover township. This fine plantation remained intact during his lifetime. See pages 9, 10, 16-21.

Conrad Duddarer was a successful farmer, well-educated, upright, conservative. During the long period of his ownership of the paternal estate, he made no sales from it, and no additions to it. He conducted it ably, increasing its value year by year. He died a wealthy man, for those times. His name does not appear in the records of the Reformed congregations in his neighborhood. It is inferred that he was identified with one or another of the denominations which kept no records. There is some ground for the supposition that his wife was Magdalena Schweitzer, daughter of the Lorentz Schweitzer who died in Germantown in 1776. The death of his wife and himself is recorded, however, in the Church book of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation; but they are buried, according to trustworthy tradition, in the graveyard now known as Bertolet's burying ground, located half a mile due west from their home, but no gravestones have been placed at their graves.

By act of Assembly, passed May 18, 1739, and confirmed by the King in Council May 12, 1740, Conrad Dotterer was naturalized.

The tax lists furnish this information concerning his assessable property: In the list of taxables of Frederick township for 1776 is: "Conrad Dotterer, 250 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows." In 1769, Conrad Dodderow, of Frederick township, was assessed Proprietary tax the sum of £18 5 0 on 250 acres of land, 3 horses and 3 cattle. In 1774, his Provincial tax was £15 17 8 on 250 acres, 2 horses and 2 cattle. In 1779 his Supply tax

was £14, and the record shows that he paid £3 10 0, being five shillings in the Pound. In 1780 Conrad Dottrer was assessed £3 in the £100 on a valuation of £3000, the sum of £90 for Effective Supply tax.

HIS WILL.

Conrad Duddarer made his last will and testament on the 23rd of March, 1777. Its more important parts were:

* * * Item, I give and devise unto my loving wife Magdalena instead of her thirds the Interest of three hundred pounds lawfull money of the province to be paid to her yearly so long she remains my widow in case my wife should marry agin then the half of the interest shall cease and the one hundred and fifty pounds to be equally divided between my hereafter named children or the heirs of their bodies and the residue after her decease and further shall my widow have the house on my place next to the great road and the stable with about four acres of land with the meadow adjoining and half of that orchard next to the house and the liberty for wood in the twelve acres of woodland adjoining the orchard field so long she remains my widow and further I give and devise unto her for her own use and disposal my bed, bedstead, and all belonging to the same, of pewter one dish and a big plate, six small plates, two mittle sorts of yron pots, a big yron kittle, a spinging wheel, a cheast, with all her cloths and fifteen bushels of Brad corn, halfe wheat and half rey, and one cow, the choice of all that shall be cept in pasture on my plantation during her widowhood in somer.

Item, I give and devise to my eldest son Jacob the sum of five Pounds lawfull money of this province on reason that he is my eldest son as advance before the other children and the residue of my estate I give and devise in equal shares to be divided among my children and grandchildren named Jacob, Conrad, John, Abraham, Catharina, Christina, Susana, Elizabeth and Magdaln, and my two grandchildren of my son Christian, named John and Catharine, being also ten equal parts to devide, and in case one of my grandchildren should die before their lawful age then that share shall devolve to the other, and in case both should die before that age then that share shall devolve to my other children or the heirs of their bodies forever with all the rest of their shares to have and to hold them and their heirs forever. And whereas I dit give my four eldest daughters which are married on household goods to the amount of Twelve pounds each, it is my will that sum shall be reckoned to their shares and it is further my will that my eldest son shall have his Share first and then as they follow in age only my grandchildren shall be last in share; and further it is my will that my executors shall sell my estate both real and personal to the best advantage of my children and lastly I do nominate my friends George Swenck and Samuel Bartolet, both of Frederick township, sole executors of this my last will and testament to act in part or separate as it may by reason of death * * *

In presence of

Benjamin Snider
Daniel Boyer
Ludwig Schuedler

CONRAD DUDDARER



The will was proved May 12, 1801, and letters testamentary granted to George Swenck and Samuel Bertolet.

The signature to the will is not distinct as to the last two letters of the surname, but it is either Conrad Dudderer or Conrad Duddarer. The red seal is not clear.

February 16, 1801, an inventory was made by Benjamin Markley

and John Swink, and March 13, 1801, a public sale was made of the personal property, realizing £97 12 9. The real and personal property amounted in gross to £3035 12 3; after paying all expenses £2656 6 0 remained for distribution. The accounts were passed and affirmed to March 30, 1802. Notices of the filing of the account were put up by the executors thirty days before the 11th of May, 1802, at the houses of Benjamin Markley, Benjamin Snyder and Jacob Rahn. Among the articles sold was a large Bible in four volumes, bought by Samuel Jörger (Yerger) for £7 0 0; in the inventory this was appraised at £2 5 0. Philip Royer bought a diamond to cut glass for 19s. 11d. In the inventory were 11 books, appraised at 10s.; John Dotterer bought three of these for 3s. 8d., John Dotterer, cordwainer, three for 4s. 3d., and Johannes Kieler three for 10s. A clock with case was appraised £3, and sold to Valentine Anderson for £2 11s. 0d. Four Dealpht (Delft) plates were appraised 8d. David Sower was paid for printing Hand Bills £0 11s. 3d. The clerk's neat sales statement, filed in the court house, shows that about all the citizens of the vicinity were buyers at the vendue of the personal property.

After the decease of Conrad Duddarer, his plantation of two hundred and fifty acres was disposed of, as already stated. Jacob Zieber became owner of twenty-five acres of the southwesterly part of the farm, fronting on the Skippack road, now known as the Great road. The original patents gave the southwesterly boundary as ninety-eight perches, but the survey to Jacob Zieber made it one hundred and three perches. This tract, therefore, had a front of one hundred and three perches on the Great road; it extended back, northeastward, thirty-nine perches. John Markley purchased the remainder of the property, which, according to the deed made to him April 1, 1802, consisted of two hundred and twenty-seven acres and one hundred and twenty-four perches. Markley's purchase was evidently for speculative purposes. November 16, 1802, he deeded to John Dotterer, son of Conrad Duddarer, deceased, ninety-eight acres, taken out of the heart of the original estate, and lying on both sides of Society run. January 25, 1803, Markley sold to Jacob Grub 33 acres and 95 perches. Later, he deeded to John Corner, David Underkoffler, Daniel Smith, Ludwig Reimer, Peter Swiseford, Jacob Zieber and others, the remainder of his holding. A notable fact connected with this considerable deal is that the northeastern portion of the property, lying on both sides of the Little road of to-day, was cut up into small parcels, several of them of only five acres. Jacob Zieber purchased of these three uncontiguous lots of five acres each, located in the end of the original farm farthest from his twenty-five-acre tract. The reason for thus slicing the northeastern section of the plantation, which was the least fertile, is not apparent; the deeds are silent as to it, and the memory of man stops short of that time.

NOTES.

October 16, 1732, Henry Switzer, of the reputed township of New Bristol, near Skippack, gave a mortgage for £80, secured by a plantation of 83½ acres in New Bristol township, to Cunrad Tudra, of Fredericks, yeoman, Philip Hawn, of Hanover, taylor, Lawrence Reiner, of Limerick, weaver, and Katharine Switzer, of New Bristol, spinster. October 1, 1740, Conrad Duddarer and Phillip Hann released, having received full satisfaction. Conrad Duddarer signed his name in English; Philip Hann signed in German.

In 1754, Conrad Duddarer was actively interested in the effort to establish at Falkner Swamp an English school under the auspices of the London Society for the Propagation of the Gospel and for the Education of the Germans in Pennsylvania.

Conrad Duddarer was a newspaper reader. His daughter, Magdalena Dotterer, wife of Peter Oesterlein, told Sophia Dotterer (afterwards wife of John Hummel), that she was in the habit, when a little girl, of going to the home of Michael Kuntz, a very old man, for the newspaper for her father.

A remarkable circumstance is the absence of stones to mark the graves of Conrad Duddarer and his wife, in Bertolet's burying ground. John Oesterlein, a grandson, related in his old age, fifty or more years ago, that he, a child, was at his grandfather's funeral, and that he remembered that the body was carried through the woods to the burial ground. He also states that his grandfather Duddarer was a tanner.

8. ANNA SOPHIA DOTTERER^s (Michael Dotterer^s, George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania, March 5, 1726; baptized Anna Sophia—sponsors: Jacob Fisher and wife, the grandparents; married Daniel Troxel. Children:

57. John Troxell⁴, born May 3, 1760.

58. David Troxel⁴.

In the tax lists of Germany township, York county, Pa., we find: 1779, Daniel Troxel, 225 acres, 4 horses, 4 horned cattle; Tax, £95 7 6. 1780, Daniel Troxel, 150 acres, 3 horses, 3 horned cattle; Tax, £58 0 0. 1781, Daniel Troxel, 200 acres, 3 horses, 4 horned cattle; Tax, £ 8 7 6.

Michael Dotterer made an exception in the case of his daughter, Sophia Dotterer, by bequeathing to her "Five shillings Starling besides the 25£ that she hath received and what shee bought at my vendue," in lieu of a full share in his remaining estate. (See page 26.)

Daniel Troxel was a native of Switzerland. Sophia Dettero (Dotterer) was of German descent. This information John Troxell (born May 3, 1760) gave to his grandson, Robert Sheads, of Gettysburg, Pa., about the year 1838.

9. ANNA VERONICA DOTTERER³ (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Frederick township, Philadelphia county, September 5, 1727; sponsor at baptism, Anna Dotterer; married, about 1748, by Rev. George Michael Weiss, John Heebner; died January 27, 1778. John Heebner (believed to have been the son of Hans and Maria Heebner, who came with the Schwenkfelder colony in 1734, and bought land in Frederick township) died, in September or October, 1792. Children:

59. John Heebner⁴.
60. Philip Heebner⁴.
61. Sophia Heebner⁴, born February 17, 1755.
62. George Heebner⁴.
63. Michael Heebner⁴.
64. Mary Heebner⁴.
65. Margaret Heebner⁴.

In the tax lists of Frederick township we trace John Heebner as follows: In 1774, John Hibner was assessed Provincial tax on 350 acres of land, 4 horses and 6 cows, £24 9 4. In 1776, John Heebner was taxed on 200 acres, 3 horses and 4 cows. In 1779, Effective Supply Tax, £18 0 0, and State Tax, £4 10 0. In 1780, Effective Supply Tax, £114 0 0, on a valuation of £3800. In 1783, he was assessed Federal Tax on 150 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, 5 sheep.

August 10, 1779, John Heebner, Sr., of Frederick township, sold to his son, John Heebner, Jr., 152 acres, 134 perches, in said township, bounded by Perkiomen creek, and lands of Jacob Frantz, Garret Rine and Ludwig Lehman.

John Heebner made his will on September 3, 1792. It was probated October 26, 1792. He named his sons, John Heebner and George Heebner, executors of his estate.

His real and personal property was offered at public sale on November 2, 1792. The announcement in *Die Germantäuner Zeitung*, October 23, 1792, was:

Johannes and Georg Huebener, executors of the estate of Johannes Huebener, late of Frederick township, deceased, offer at public sale, on the 2d of November, 1792, the real and personal property of said decedent. It consists of a plantation of 200 acres and allowances, in Frederick township, 34 miles from Philadelphia, arable land, upon which are two orchards of several hundred trees, a stone dwelling house, good barn, part of stone, and other buildings, about 25 acres of meadow, partly watered, about 85 acres woodland. It is situate on the great road leading from Pottstown to Bethlehem, suitable for a public business. To be sold at the same time: Horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, bees, wagon, plough, harrow, bedding, whiskey kettle, hay, grain, eight-day clock, besides household articles and farming utensils.

John Richards, of New Hanover township, took title to the real estate May 26, 1794.

There is a private burying place on the old Heebner property, but only common field stones, without lettering, mark the graves.

NOTES.

In the Church record of the Goshenhoppen Reformed congregation, Rev. George Michael Weiss makes entry of the marriage of "J. Hübner and Anna Dotterin" between the years 1747 and 1758.

In the Old Goshenhoppen Reformed Church record the date of the death of Joh. Hüpner's wife is given as January 27, 1778, at the age of fifty years, one month and twenty-one days, and the date of her birth December 5, 1727, a difference of three months as compared with the family record.

In her father's will (page 26) Anna Veronica (Froni) Heebner's name is given as Mary Hefners. This incorrectness is doubtless due to the fact that the will was drawn by a stranger in York county, who was unacquainted with the testator's family, and misunderstood the testator.

John Heebner, as administrator, settled such of the estate of his father-in-law in Montgomery county as had not been disposed of by the agreement made in the lifetime of Michael Dotterer, father, with Michael Dotterer, son. (See page 27).

John Hübner and Henry Antes were witnesses to the signing of the will of Verony Dodderer, widow of George Philip Dodderer, June 8, 1751.

10. GEORGE PHILIP DOTTERER* (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in Frederick township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania, August 30, 1729; married, in the month of May, 1754, Elizabeth Antes; died, in Limerick township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, August 23, 1771. Elizabeth Antes, daughter of Henry and Christiana (Deweese) Antes, born in Frederick township, January 29 (New Style, February 9), 1734; married (first) George Philip Dotterer; married (second) April 23, 1772, Rev. Nicholas Pomp; died, at Easton, Pa., May 20, 1812. Children of George Philip Dotterer and Elizabeth Antes:

66. Benigna Dotterer⁴, born February 7, 1753.
67. Anna Dotterer⁴, born December 21, 1756.
68. Elizabeth Dotterer⁴, born May 7, 1759.
69. Henry Dotterer⁴, born July 25, 1762.
70. Mary Dotterer⁴, born December 25, 1764.
71. Frederick Dotterer⁴, born September 13, 1769.

George Philip and Elizabeth (Antes) Dotterer, at the outset of their married life, attended the Oley Moravian church. The wife was, apparently, a member of the Moravian society; but the husband was not. From the records of the Oley church, Rev. Prof. William J. Hinke, of Philadelphia, extracted, in July, 1902, the following entries bearing on the identification of the young married pair with that congregation:

THE DOTTERER FAMILY.

Elisabeth Dotterin, geborene Antes,
 geboren in Falckner Schwam, oder Fridrichstown
 Anno 1734, den 9. Febr.
 wurde 5 Wochen darauf von Pfr. Bøhm getauft.
 Vater: Henrich Antes.
 Mutter: Christina Antes.
 heyraethete 1754 im Monath May
 Philip Dotter
 Durch die Vorsorge ihres Vaters kam
 sie als ein junges Mädel nach Bethlehem.
 Kinder: (1) Anna Benigna.
 (2) Anna.
 (3) Elisabeth.

May 20, 1756, Michael and Anna Maria Dotterer, the parents of George Philip Dotterer, conveyed to their eldest son and heir, under the name Philip Dotterer, one hundred and seventy-three acres and one hundred perches of land, in New Hanover township, facing the township line between New Hanover and Frederick townships, the consideration being "as well for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which they have and do bare for and toward their said son, and for his preferment in the world, as also for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania . . . well and truly paid." (See page 37.)

October 8, 1762, Philip Dotterer and Elizabeth, his wife, granted to Jacob Peterman (written, in German, Piterman) the two tracts in New Hanover township, containing together one hundred and seventy-three acres and one hundred and fifty perches.

About the time George Philip Dotterer sold his property in New Hanover township he purchased land in Limerick township, and settled there. He entered into partnership with Henry Seidle in the business of inn-keeping and store-keeping, in Limerick township. This connection was of short duration, for Seidle died about the beginning of 1764. George Philip Dotterer entered a caveat in the Probate Court, respecting the estate of his deceased partner, viz:

"M Plumsted Pleas to Lett Non adminifter to the Estate of Henry Seidle, Deceased, till I am at Present for Some particular Reasons and in So Doing you will oblige your friend & Servant
 PHILLIP DODERER.

January the 15th 1764.

Letters of administration were granted to "Philip Dotterer, friend of Henry Seidle, late of Limerick township, Inn holder and Shop Keeper, dec'd." The bond was for £2000 Pennsylvania money; Nicholas Bunn and Philip Jost (Yost) were the sureties. In the Pennsylvania Gazette of Feb. 28, 1765, Numb. 1888, Philadelphia: Printed by B. Franklin, Post-Master, and D. Hall, appeared this advertisement:

ALL those who are indebted to the Partnership of Philip Dotterer and Henry Seidle, deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment, and save themselves further Trouble and Cost, as the surviving Partner is determined to pay the Demands on said Partnership as soon as possible; and those who have any just Demands, to send in their Accounts to

PHILIP DOTTERER.

October 21, 1765, license to keep a tavern was granted to Philip Dudrow, of Limerick township, for which the fee was £1 16 0. January 3, 1768, this license was renewed.

January 18, 1768, Philip Dotterer, innholder, of Limerick township, bought of William Kendall, two hundred and forty acres of land in Limerick township, adjoining other lands owned by him and lands of Francis Hooven, William Maulsbe, William Kendall and Edward Boulton.

In the assessment of Limerick township, for Proprietary tax in 1769, Philip Dotterer appears as owner of 340 acres of land, 2 horses, 3 cows, upon which the tax was £25 17 8.

George Philip Dotterer died without making a will. Letters of administration were granted, September 23, 1771, to Elizabeth Dotterer, the widow, and Frederick Antes, her brother; John Bull and Jonathan Custer were the sureties on the bond. September 21, 1771, Jno. Bull, Henry Dering, Jr., and Benj^t. Jacobs made an inventory of the personal property, consisting of household goods, farming implements, store goods, grain, cattle, wines and liquors, cash and accounts. The personal estate realized at sale £609 17 9, and the real estate, sold by order of Orphans' Court, £1890 5 0, making together £2500 2 9. On the other hand, the liabilities of the deceased amounted to upwards of £2100, and other disbursements swelled this sum, so that when the administrators, on May 7, 1772, rendered their account but £150 10 5 remained for distribution to the heirs

The details of the settlement of the estate follow:

INVENTORY.

An Inventory of all the goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of Phillip Dutterer, late of Limerick Township in the County of Philadelphia, deceased, viz:

To his wearing apparel	£14 10 —
To his riding mare saddle and Bridle	15 — —
To a Black walnut High Case of Draw	6 — —
To a Plain do	5 10 —
To a Blackwalnut Desk	3 — —
To a Dining Table	1 5 —
To a Large Do.	— 15 —
To a Tea Table	— 1 — —
To 2 Small Tables	— 7 6
To 1 Black Walnut do ⁵ To 1 Larger do ⁶	— 11 —

To a Cloathes Press ⁴⁰	to a small Cubbord ³ ₉	£ 2 3 9
To a Clock and Case		13 — —
To a Silver Watch		4 10 —
To six rush Bottomd Chairs ¹⁸	To a pr of small hand Irons ⁷ ₆	1 5 6
To 2 small looking Glasses ¹⁷ ₆	To 12 old Chairs ¹⁸	1 15 6
To six rush Bottom'd Chairs ¹⁸	To a Cradle ⁴	1 2 —
To a Ten plate Stove and Pipe		4 — —
To a Big Wheel and Clock Reel ¹⁵	To a Hammock & frame ³	— 18 —
To a Warming Pan ⁷ ₆	To six old Chairs ¹²	— 19 6
To a Large Bible and other sundry Books		1 15 —
To a Small Black Walnut Stand		— 4 —
To an old Feather Bed Bedding & Bedstead &c.		5 — —
To a Feather Bed Bedstead Bedding &c.		7 — —
To a Small Single do		2 10 —
To a Chaff Bed Bedding Bedstead &c.		2 — —
To do do do		2 — —
To a Machine to press & smooth Clothes ¹⁰	To 12 Bags ¹⁸	1 8 —
To a quantity of Flaxseed ³⁰	To 5 old Spining Wheels ¹⁵	2 5 —
To a Meal Chest Bedstead and other Lumber		— 7 6
To 2 Old Chaff Beds Bedding Bedsteads &c.		2 — —
To an old box of Draws an old Bedstead & other Lumber		— 7 6
To Sundry Table Linnen ³⁶	To Sundry Sheets and Pillow cases ²³	2 19 —
To a Tea Kettle and China and Delft Tea Ware		1 4 6
To Six Silver Tea Spoons		— 15 —
To Sundry Bowls decanters Tumblers Jugs and Glasses &c.		1 18 —
To a pr of many Scales & some weights		— 5 —
To a pr of Brass Shop Scales		— 5 —
To 2 pr of Steelyards ²⁷	and Sundry old Iron ⁴	1 11 —
To an Plantation Wagon		4 10 —
To a light Cart Cart Saddle and Coilers		4 15 —
To a Cutting Box and Sundry old Casks		1 — —
To Sundry old Spades Shovels Pitchforks &c.		— 10 —
To 2 Coilers 2 Backhands & a pair of Chains		— 15 —
To 2700 Oak Shingles at ⁸	pr ct.	4 1 —
To the Wheat in Mough in the Stone Barn		3 — —
To the Hay in the Stone Barn		15 — —
To the Hay in the Frame Barn		4 10 —
To the Wheat in Mough in the Frame Barn		22 — —
To the Oats in do do		4 10 —
To the Dutch Fan		2 — —
To about 1000 foot of Poplar and Oak Boards @ ⁶		3 — —
To about 150 feet of 2½ Inch Oak Plank at ⁸		— 12 —
To Flax and Hemp		2 10 —
To the Buckwheat in the Ground		1 — —
To 5 Hogs and 4 Pigs		4 — —
To a Bay Filley		6 — —
To a Brown Horse		13 — —
To a Sorrel Horse		9 — —
To a Black mare		6 10 —
To 4 Set of Collars Heims Backhands Traces & Blindhalters		2 16 —
To 3 Ploughs Plough irons and Swingle Trees		2 10 —
To a Harrow ¹²	To a Wheelbarrow ³	— 15 —
To one Brindle Cow		4 — —

To one Brown Cow	4 — —
To a Red Cow	4 — —
To a Pide Cow	3 15 —
To a Red and White spotted Cow	3 — —
To an old Red Cow	3 — —
To a Red Heifer	2 — —
To a Red Steer	2 5 —
To a Yearling Heifer	1 5 —
To 17 Sheep a 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	5 19 —
To a Smooth bore Gun	1 — —
To a Mall Wedges grubing hoe and Ax	— 10 —
To 3 Timber Chains	— 15 —
To a Handsaw Drawing Knife & Sundrys	— 9 —
To 2 pr of old Iron Hopples	— 4 —
To about 12 Gallon of Madeira Wine	6 — —
To a small cask of low pric'd Wine	4 — —
To about 74 Gallon of rum @ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ pr.	12 19 —
To a number of empty Casks	3 — —
To Pewter ware	3 10 —
To a Brass Kettle	1 10 —
To a Dresser & Kitchin Furniture	6 10 —
To the Indian Corn in the Ground	1 15 —
To the Wheat and Rie put in the Ground this Season	37 10 —
To 7 Quire of Paper	— 5 —
To about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards of Woolen Cloth at the Mill @ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ pr.	1 10 —
To an old Walnut Chest & old Bedstead	— 10 —
To the Cash in the House	6 8 10
To Bonds Notes and Book Debts amounting to	169 10 4

£522 12 5

Appraised the 21st day of Septem^r 1771, by

JNO. BULL
HENRY DERING, JR.
BENJⁿ JACOBS

ADMINISTRATORS' ACCOUNT.

The Accompt of Elizabeth Pomp (alias Dutterer) widow of Philip Dutterer, and Frederick Antes, Esq., Administrators of the Estate of Philip Dutterer, deceased. Imprimis.

The said Accomptants Charge themselves with all and Singular the the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased as mentioned in an Inventory thereof remaining in the Register Genls Office at Philadelphia amounting To	£522 12 5
The said Accomptants Charge themselves with the further Sum of £1890 5 0, being what the deceaseds Lands sold for by order of the Orphans' Court, &c.	1890 5 —
Ditto with what the Goods Sold for more than Appraised at	87 5 4
	£2500 2 9

Item. The said Accomptants pray Allowance for their several payments and disbursements made out of the same as follows, viz^t.

paid for Letters of Administration &c.	£ 1 2 9
paid Daniel Heister Bond and Intt.	$\frac{3}{4}$ rectt. 222 — —
paid John Wister Bond principl & Intt.	do 324 15 —
paid Owen Jones Bond Principle and Intt.	do 353 15 4

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paid Daniel Heister Bon pl & Intt.	do	£222
paid John Wister one year Interest	do	12
paid John Wister Bond Prinpl & Interest	do	203 18 —
paid Jacob Longnecker Bond &c.	do	52 15 —
paid John Bull Principal & Interest	do	101 15
paid John Stetler Principal and Intt.	do	113 12 4
paid Abraham Seeler Principle & Intt.	do	105 — —
paid Casper Rawn Principal & Intt.	do	32 8 —
paid Casper Rawn Principal & Intt.	do	54 1 3
paid Abraham Levan Prinple & Intt.	do	215 10 —
paid Catherine Yost Princpl & Intt.	do	32 5 —
paid Nicholas Kressman Prinpl & Intt.	do	21 10 6
paid George Roh Prinpl & Intt.	do	30 15 —
paid Frederick Weiss Prinpl & Intt.	do	39 6 9
paid Nicholas Kreesman Tax	do	1 7 —
paid Dr. Jonathan Potts	do	3 11 —
paid William Crispin Collector of Excize	do	7 18 6
paid Jacob Peterman Cryer at Vendue	do	1 10 —
paid Frederick Hessor, Vendue Clerk	do	1 6 6
paid at the Register Generals office for stating Examining and passing this Account with Copy under Seal of s ^d Office		1 12 6
		<hr/> £2155 15 5
By a Debt due Frederick Antis one of the Adminrs Bond and Interest amounting in all to the sum of		36 3 9
paid Expenses of an Arbitration		— 16 4
paid the Sheriff his Acc ^t on Sundry Actions & Acco ^{ts}		20 10 7
paid a Lawyer for Council at Sundry times		3 4 —
By allowance for Sundry Debts appraised in the Inventory Bad Amounting To		24 17 3
By Expences at the Orphans Court on Obtaining an order of Sale &c. & Acco ^{ts}		3 5 0
Paid Sundry funeral Expenses & Account		5 — —
By an Allowance made the Accomptants for their time Trou- ble Expence and Care in the Administration of the Estate until this time		100 — —
Ballance on this Settlement to be disposed of as the Law directs		150 10 5
Errors Excepted		<hr/> £2500 2 9
ELIZABETH POMP, Just.		
FDR. ANTES, Just.		

THE WIDOW'S SECOND MARRIAGE.

Elizabeth (Antes) Dotterer, widow of George Philip Dotterer, married Rev. Nicholas Pomp, a clergyman of the German Reformed Church. Their marriage is entered in the Falkner Swamp Reformed church record thus:

1772.

N. Pomp, V. D. M. mit Elisabeth Dotter
sind getraut worden den 23. Aprill

Rev. Nicholas Pomp, born at Manbüchel, near Zweibrücken, Germany; died at Easton, Pa., September 1, 1819. He was pastor of

Reformed congregations at various points in Eastern Pennsylvania and in Baltimore. Rev. Nicholas Pomp and Elizabeth, his wife, had one child:

Thomas Pomp, born at Skippack, Pa., February 5, 1773; died at Easton, Pa., April 22, 1852. He was a noted Reformed minister, and progenitor of a numerous family.

SKETCH OF ELIZABETH ANTES.

The following sketch of the life of Elizabeth Antes was prepared, it is supposed, to be read at her funeral. The original in German was discovered by Rev. Professor Joseph Henry Dubbs, D. D., of Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Pa., and translated by him:

We desire to make the following brief statement concerning the life and conduct of our sister.

She was born at Falkner Swamp, in the year 1734. Her father was the late Henry Antes and her mother his lawful wife Christina, through whose faith she received Holy Baptism and therewith received the name Elizabeth. In her eighth year she removed with her parents to Bethlehem, where she remained ten years and received a virtuous training.

After her father left Bethlehem and had returned to his own land in Falkner Swamp many of his children also returned thither. Our sister was soon afterwards married to Philip Dotterer, with whom she lived in matrimony sixteen years and begat six children,—two sons and four daughters, who are all still living. After the father had died, the mother, after a suitable period of widowhood, entered again the holy state of matrimony, with Mr. Nicholas Pomp, with whom she lived happily for more than thirty-nine years. In this marriage she begat one son, who was the source of much happiness in her later years.

Of our sister we may truly declare that she lived a most virtuous life. In her domestic life she was careful and industrious; as a Christian she was earnest and always sought to do all things unto edification.

Our sister enjoyed good health during a long life until recently when she was attacked by a severe illness which continued four weeks.

LETTER OF JUDGE JAMES D. DOTTERER.

The following letter, written by the late Judge James D. Dotterer, of Blackwoodtown, Camden county, New Jersey, a grandson of George Philip and Elizabeth (Antes) Dotterer, conveys information which has aided much in the compilation of the family history:

BLACKWOODTOWN, MARCH 21, 1864.

Dr. Sir: In answer to yours of 12th Instant, I have delayed the same expecting to be in the city some days before this and feeling desirous of having a personal interview with you. At present I shall not be in Camden before the 28th Inst., on which day there is court. I would be pleased to see you.

Some 2 years back I received a letter from Snyder Antis requesting information on the History of the family. I do not know that he was any way connected with the Dotterer branch. My father's mother was an Antis, sister to Col. Antis of the Revolution. After his father's death she married the Rev^d. Pomp, of Easton, Pa., and had one son, the Rev^d. Thomas Pomp, of Easton, who died a few years ago, who was $\frac{1}{2}$ Brother to my father. I now will give the family:

Peninah Dotterer, born Feby. 7th, 1753.

Anna Dotterer, born December 21, 1756.

Elizabeth Dotterer, born May 7, 1759.

Henry Dotterer, born July 25, 1762.

Mary Dotterer, born Dec. 25, 1764.

Frederick Dotterer, born Sept. 13, 1769.

George Philip Dotterer departed this life 23rd of August, 1771, aged 41 yrs., 11 mo. 13 days; the father of the above.

I have recollection of some one of Father's family, shortly after we moved to Jersey, of being to see us; perhaps the aunt you speak of. One of his sisters married a Yost that lived in Berks County, I think at Oley, as there was one of the sons sent to Phil^a to go to school with us. One of his sisters married Dukehart, and the family are living in Baltimore. One other married a Fryer and one a Barnhart, who was, or some of the family, living in Baltimore some years ago.

I have it in my mind that my Grand Father Dotterer was born in the U. S., but I may be mistaken. I believe their residence was in Berks County, as I have heard my father speak of property, in that or the adjoining County. I have no recollection of Conrad Dotterer learning the Millwright trade with him, yet he may when father lived in Bucks County on the Delaware, where he had mills. I was very small. I recollect when he lived where the Bethlehem and Easton road fork^d, about 14 miles this side of Easton; he had some of his relatives with him then.

Some time in the fall when in the city I saw on Market street some goods marked Amos Dotterer. I made inquiry at the store but they could not tell me where he was from. My uncle Frederick had a son Amos, who worked for my father at Bellows making and Father fitted him out a few years afterwards to go to the different forges & furnaces in Penn^a to sell rights to use his Patent. Have you any knowledge of this Amos?

My father was in some way related to B. H. Latrobe, the father of the present Latrobe. He was also related to Gov. Snyder of Penn^a. There is an Antis at Harrisburgh, who is a relative. Some 2 yrs. ago Henry Dukehart, of Baltimore, was here, and he informd me if I went to Harrisburgh he wished to see me.

I remain yrs Respectfully,

Mr. Henry S. Dotterer, Phil^a.

JAS. D. DOTTERER.

A LETTER BY REV. NICHOLAS POMP.

The writer found, and Mrs. Rebecca S. Dotterer copied, on the 5th of February, 1896, in the archives of the Reformed Church of the Netherlands, at The Hague, an original letter written by Rev. Nicholas Pomp, dated at Falkner Swamp, November 12, 1771, which is now for the first time published:

Hoch Ehrwürdige und Hochgelehrte
herren Insonders geliebte
Vätter Im Herrn.

Eur: Hoch Ehrw: wollen nicht ungeneigt vernehmen das ich mich unterstehe um eine besondere gutthath anzusuchen. Es betrifft meinen vatter welcher sich vor diese zeit in Teutschland in einem ser armen zustand befindet, er hat mich schon in etlichen brieffen sehr ernstlich angesprochen, das ich ihm etwas gelt schicken möge und ob ich schon das meinige sehr nothwendig brauche so gehet mir doch die noth meines vatters so zu herzen das ich nicht eher ruhig sein kan bis er etwas von mir bekommt. Weil ich aber keine sichere gelegenheit habe gelt nach meinem vatterland zu senden, so habe Eur: Hoch Ehrw: darum geziemend bitten wollen 50 oder 60 gulden aus den liebes gaben, die sie uns werden Herein senden an meinen vatter zu schicken auff die art wie Er: Hoch Erw: an D. Otterbeins mutter gesendet haben.

Ich will hernach dem Erw: Coetus das geld zu rechter zeit ohne an vand bezahlen. Das geld konnen Ew: Hoch Erw: entveder an Herren Doctor Wund nach Heydelberg senden welcher es mit leicher gelegenheit nach Zweybrucken, und von dort nach meinem vatter senden kan oder es kan auch imediate auff der poest an meinen vatter gesand werden.

Es mus aber mit Franzoesischen geld geschicken oder mit Hollandischen Ducaten welches in meinem vatterland gangbar ist. Die addresse an meinem Vatter kan mit folgender worden gemacht werden: An Herren Peter Bomp, Senior einwoner zu Manbuechel im oberamt Kussel, Herzogthum Zweybrucken.

Eur: Hoch Ehrw: wollen mir es doch nicht uebel nehmen dasz ich mich unterstehe so vieles zu bitten die noth meines armen vatters zwing mich dazu, und weil mir dero liebe gegen nothleidenden genug bekandt ist, so verharre in der angenehmen Hoffnung dasz meinem gesuch eine geneigte willfahung geschehe. Uebrigens bestehe mit geziemendem Respect.

Hoch Ehrwardige und Hochgelerte Herrn sehr geneigte gønner und Vætter.

Dero Schuldiger diener,

N: BOMP, V. D. M.

dab. falkner schwam den 12ten Nov: 1771.

NOTES.

The sponsors for George Philip Dotterer, at his baptism, were his grandparents, George Philip Dodderer and his wife. (See page 27.)

Philip and Elizabeth Dotterer were sponsors for Elizabeth, daughter of Conrad and Julianna Margaretta Dotterer, born September 5, 1758, and baptized the same year. This Conrad Dotterer was a younger brother of George Philip Dotterer. A certificate of this baptism was, in April, in 1883, the possession of William Duttera, Senior, of Littlestown, Pa.

1759, November 11. Philipp, son of Henry Antes, was baptized. He was just ten weeks old. Testes, Philipp Dotterer et Elizabeth, uxor ejus.—Falkner Swamp Reformed Church Record. This Henry Antes was a brother to Elizabeth, wife of George Philip Dotterer.

December 25, 1763 or 1764, Philip Dotterer and wife Elizabeth were sponsors of Sarah Antes, daughter of Wilhelm and Christina Antes; baptism by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church.

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Family Record of Henry Antes. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 51.

Henry Antes. See Henry Antes—A Man of Mark. By Henry S. Dotterer. Published in Schwenksville, Pa., Item. Clippings preserved in Scrap Book in Library of Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Rev. Nicholas Pomp and Rev. Thomas Pomp. See biographical sketches in Henry Harbaugh's Fathers of the German Reformed Church.

11. CONRAD DOTTERER¹ (Michael Dotterer¹, George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Frederick township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1731; at baptism he received the name Johann Conrad, his sponsor being Johann Conrad Dotterer, his uncle; married Juliana Reiff; died, near Littlestown, Pa., January 18,

1808. Juliana Reiff died November 6, 1805, aged sixty-six years, ten months, twenty-five days. Children:

72. Conrad Dotterer⁴, born July 10, 1756.
73. Elizabeth Dotterer⁴, born September 5, 1758.
74. Mary Margaret Dotterer⁴, born March 15, 1761.
75. John Dutterer⁴, born April 1, 1763.
76. Frederick Dutterer⁴, born November 11, 1764.
77. Juliana Dotterer⁴, born April 22, 1768.
78. Michael Dutterer⁴, born December 12, 1774.
79. Anna Maria Dotterer⁴, born September 7, 1779.
80. George Duttera⁴, born August 16, 1784.

Conrad Dotterer settled in York (since 1800 Adams) county, Pa., near the Maryland border, in the immediate vicinity of the present Littlestown, Pa. He was a farmer. In the tax lists we find him assessed: 1779, Conrad Dotter, Mount Pleasant township, 200 acres; tax, £35 0 0. 1780, Conrad Doderer, Heidelberg township, 192 acres, 4 horses, 4 cattle; tax, £56 15 0. 1781, Mount Pleasant township, 200 acres; tax, £3 10 0. 1781, Heidelberg township, 200 acres, 1 horse, 1 cow; tax, £9 5 0. In the list of taxables of Heidelberg township, York county, for 1783, is the name of Conrad Dottora, who was assessed £980 in specie on 200 acres of land, four horses, four cattle and ten sheep; and his family consisted of eight persons.

Conrad Dotterer's father, Michael Dotterer, provided farms for his eldest and his third sons, as shown on page 37. It is not improbable that Conrad Dotterer, the second son, was favored in like manner. The two hundred acres in Bucks county, surveyed to Michael Dotterer January 20, 1747, may have been transferred by him to his second son, Conrad, when the latter reached manhood. We do not know in which township this land lay. The records, however, show that in October, 1765, Conrad Dotterer was a resident of Heidelberg township, Northampton county. We also learn from the York county records that on October 12, 1765, Conrad Dotterer, of Heidelberg township, Northampton county, yeoman, bought of John Schreyer (or Schreiber), of Germany township, York county, a tract of 197 acres, 36 perches, with six per cent. allowances, located in Germany township. About 1765, therefore, is the date of Conrad Dotterer's removal to York county. In 1767, his brother-in-law, Daniel Troxell, husband of Sophia Dotterer, followed him, and also settled in York county.

A stone house built by Conrad Dotterer about 1773 still stood, in April, 1883, upon the property formerly owned by him.

Conrad Dotterer and his wife were members of Christ Reformed church, about two miles distant from Littlestown, Pa. They are buried in the large cemetery of this church. Their graves are marked by stones bearing these words:

In
memory of
JULIANA Dottero,
wife of Conrod Dottero
Died Nov. 6th, 1805
Aged 66 yrs. 10 mos. 25 days.

Hier
ruhet der leibe von
Conrad Duttra
gestorben den 18ten
Iener 1808 alter 80
Iahre

Conrod Dotterer, of Conewago township, Adams county, Pennsylvania, made a will in January, 1808, which was probated February 16, 1808. He makes mention of his nine children. His eldest daughters, Elizabeth and Margaret, were both deceased, but to their children he gave a section of land in Lisbon and Columbiana county, No. 4. To his son Michael he gave a half-section in Lisbon county, No. 14. To his daughter, Anna Mary, wife of Jonathan Routson, he gave a half-section. John Dotterer and George Dotterer, the executors of his estate, rendered their account May 30, 1809, which showed for distribution a balance of \$5105.39.

NOTES.

Conrad Dotterer was confirmed a member of Falkner Swamp Reformed church at Easter, 1749.

Conrad Dotter, with seven other persons, was sponsor for Daniel Troxell, son of Daniel and Sophia (Dotterer) Troxell, born March 8, 1750, and baptized May 6, 1750. This baptism is recorded in the books of Jordan Lutheran church, in Lehigh county, Pa. Sophia Dotterer was a sister to Conrad Dotterer.

In the will of Michael Dotterer, father of Conrad Dotterer (see page 26), made on the 10th day of October, 1783, in York county, his "beloved son, Conrad Dotterer," is appointed executor. Upon the death of the testator, which occurred in Montgomery county, Conrad Dotterer, on the 29th of September, 1786, before the Register of Wills of York county, renounced all right and title to the executorship.

Conrad Dotterer was one of the building committee of Christ Church (Kreuz Kirche), near Littlestown, when it was rebuilt in 1798.

As early as July 14, 1765, a Michael Dotterer, of Germany township, York county, yeoman, was mortgagor of Ulrich Hostetter in the sum of £55 15 0 (conditioned on the payment of £27 17 6). Hostetter paid this debt by the sale to Michael Dotterer "in fair and open market," of 2000 sheaves of wheat, one black mare, 2 yearling heifers, an old wagon, and one plough and irons. August 11, 1779, Michael Dotterer, having died, Michael Dotterer, Senior, his administrator, released Ulrich Hostetter. Michael Dotterer, Senior, administrator of Michael Dotterer, Junior, exhibited his account August 26, 1779. Among the payments made by the administrator were: £6 17 3 to John Hefnor, £16 11 7 to Conrad Dotterer to discharge bond and interest. The Michael Dotterer,

Jr., here concerned was not the son of Michael Dotterer, Sr. His identity remains to be ascertained.

A part of Heidelberg township, York county, became, after the erection of Adams county, in 1800. and is now, Conewago township, in the latter county.

John Duttera, Granite Hill, Adams county, Pa., August 6, 1878, writes: "My grandmother died November 6, 1805. Her maiden name was Julian Rife." This John Duttera was a son of George Duttera (80), born August 16, 1784.

12. MARGARET DOTTERER^a (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born June 27, 1733; named at baptism Maria Margareta; her sponsors were Herman Fisher (her mother's brother) and wife, and baptism is recorded in the church book of New Goshenhoppen Reformed congregation; at Easter, 1749, she was confirmed and admitted to the communion of the Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation.

She is mentioned as Margreat Doterer in her father's will (page 26), which was made October 10, 1783. She was therefore not married at that date, when she was upwards of fifty years old.

The administrators of the estate of George Schneider, of New Hanover township, paid to the estate of Margt. Dutrow £24 19 0, in their account May 22, 1772.

In the records of the Overseers of the Poor of New Hanover township is the following contract made for the support of a Margaret Dotterer. It seems improbable that it refers to our subject, in view of the prosperous circumstances of her brother, Michael Dotterer, who lived close by.

1799, July ^d 20^a. filibina Seybert verspricht die Margretha Dottere zu halten auf acht Monath vom obige Data an bis den 17^{ten} Mærtz 1800 in Kost Loschirung und Betting wie billig und recht, fuer die Suma von £7 6 shilling in gesunden und Krancken tagen Das Taunship bezahlt den Dockter und Kleidung und in Todes fall die Leichen umkosten.

FILIBINA ^{ihr} X SEYBERT.
^{merc}

DAVID HERBEL, }
FRANCIS BIGONY } Overseers.

Zeugen: Samuel Shoch.

13. MICHAEL DOTTERER^a (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born in Frederick township, October 31, 1735; baptized, by Rev. John Henry Goetschy, at New Goshenhoppen church, February 5, 1738—sponsors, Joh. Wendel Weiant (Wiend) and his wife; married (first) Anna Reiff, and (second), October 12, 1766, Catharine Reiff; died, in Frederick township, March 12, 1811. Anna Reiff, born February 23, 1741; died January 30, 1766. Catharine Reiff, born February 11, 1745; died November 16, 1820. Anna Reiff and Catharine Reiff were sisters.

Children of Michael Dotterer and Anna Reiff:

81. Philippina Dotterer⁴, born June 22, 1761.
82. Philip Dotterer⁴, born July 17, 1763.
83. Peter Dotterer⁴.
84. Michael Dotterer⁴, born January 30, 1766.

Children of Michael Dotterer and Catharine Reiff:

85. John Dotterer⁴, born in 1767; baptized December 25, 1767.
86. Conrad Dotterer⁴, born April 9, 1769.
87. Anna Maria Dotterer⁴, born May 11, 1773.
88. Catharina Dotterer⁴, born August 6, 1778.

November 14, 1763, Michael Dotterer purchased of his parents, Michael and Anna Maria Dotterer, two adjoining tracts, of one hundred and fifty acres and fifty acres, in Frederick township, and facing New Hanover township, located on the northeast side of Society run. See page 38.

In 1765, he purchased of Peter Mumbauer, 36 acres of land in the same township, also fronting New Hanover township, and adjoining on the northeast the previous purchase.

June 21, 1784, Michael Dotterer and Michael Krebs bought jointly of Michael Hilberd and Anna Maria his wife, one hundred and eighteen acres and one hundred and ten perches in New Hanover. March 16, 1791, Michael Dotterer acquired Michael Krebs' moiety. May 27, 1794, he sold eighty acres fifty-two perches of this tract of Peter Richards, of Hereford, John Richards, of New Hanover, and Charles Jolly, of Marlborough, ironmasters, for £265 1 5. In 1769, Michael Dudderow, Jr., of Frederick township, was taxed £15 4 0, Proprietary tax, on 220 acres, 3 horses and 3 cattle. In 1774 Michael Dotterer, of Frederick township, was taxed £17 17 4, Provincial tax, on 220 acres of land, 2 horses and 4 cattle. In 1776, the assessor of Frederick township makes this return for Michael Dotterer: 220 acres, 3 horses, 4 cows. Maintains his parents. In 1779 Michael Tedrow, of Frederick township, was assessed £14 for Supply tax. It appears five shillings in the pound was collected, and the record shows that Michael Detrow paid £3 10 0. In 1780, the Effective Supply tax was £3 in the £100. Michael Dottter, of Frederick township, was assessed on a valuation of £3850, a tax of £115 10 0. In 1784 he is rated for 220 acres, 4 horses, 4 cows. In 1799 he is taxed for one cow and one dog. From 1799 to 1811, the farm is returned by the assessor in the name of Conrad Dotterer, indicating that Michael Dotterer had relinquished farming and that his son Conrad became tenant.

In the tax duplicate of 1793, for Frederick township, is this memorandum: "Please return a suitable person for collector—Francis Leidy or Michael Dotterer." In 1800, Michael Dotterer was tax collector for the township.

In 1804, the farm was reduced by the sale of 93 acres to George Nyce.

HIS POLITICS.

When the great national parties were formed after the administration of President George Washington, Michael Dotterer identified himself with the Republican Democratic party, which was led by Thomas Jefferson.

HIS CHURCH CONNECTION.

Michael Dotterer and family were members of the Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation. In 1790, he was a member of the building committee which erected the large brick church edifice which still stands. To a special subscription to pay off the debt remaining on the new church, collected in 1802, Michael Dotterer contributed £6 0 0, and his sons, Michael, Jr., and Conrad, £2 5 0 each.

In the church book of the congregation are these entries:

Nov. 29, 1761, was baptized Philippina, Michael Dotterer, junior's, daughter, born 22nd June. Sponsors, Anna Maria Dotterer and Jacob Weyand.

Johannes, son of Michael and Catharina Dotterer, was baptized 25th December, 1767.

Catharina, daughter of Michael and Catharina Dotterer, born August 20, 1778; baptized October 9, 1778.

At Easter, 1753, Michael, son of Michael Dotterer, 18 years of age, was confirmed. At Pentecost, 1777, Philippina Dotter, aged 16, and Phillip Dotter, 14 years, children of Michael Dotter, were confirmed.

1781. Peter Dotter and Michael Dotter, 15 years, sons of Michael Dotter, confirmed, June 9.

1811, March 14. Michael Dotterer, aged 75 years, 4 months, 12 days, was buried.

HIS WILL.

Michael Dotterer made a will, July 16, 1808, in which he made these provisions:

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine one bed with bedstead and all thereto belonging, one chest with all the linnen, and house utensils therein house furniture and kitchen utensils to the amount of 5£ to be taken at the appraisement, 25 yds. of flaxen linen and 25£ in gold or silver, lawful money of Pennsylvania; and my hereinafter named executors shall annually pay unto her or cause to be paid her the interest of 500£, the first such interest (or 30£) she shall receive one year after my decease to hold the same to her, her heirs and assigns forever, in lieu and full satisfaction of her dower or thirds out of my estate. And it is my will that as soon as conveniently may be after my decease all the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be sold at public sale to the best advantage of my heirs, and the monies arising out of such sale shall be divided amongst my children and grandchildren in manner following, to wit: I give and bequeath unto the three children of my son Peter Dotterer deceased the sum of 300£ lawful money of America to be equally divided between them and to be paid them one year after the decease of my wife or one year after my decease if I should survive her . . . but in case either of them should die under age and without lawful issue such share shall be equally divided amongst the survivors of them. I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Philibina, late the wife of Henry Mowrer, now the wife of George Walter, the interest of 150£ to be paid to her annually, the first whereof one year after my decease, which interest she is to receive during life time, and after her decease the said principal sum of 150£ money aforesaid shall be equally divided amongst her three children of said Henry Mowrer her first husband, to-wit: Michael, Polly and Henry Mowrer, and paid them respectively one year after their mother's decease . . .

All the residue of my estate I give and bequeath unto my six children to wit: Philip, Michael, John, Conrad, Maria, and Catharine, to be equally divided amongst them

The entire estate amounted to \$12181 25½. Michael Dotterer and Conrad Dotterer (sons) and Jacob Hauck were executors.

March 26, 1811, Benjamin Markley and Henry Krebs made an inventory and appraisement of the personal property, which amounted to \$4255.50½, including bonds, notes and book accounts, for \$3933.50½. The executors' account was passed July 8, 1812. They charge themselves with \$6960.00, sum for which 130 acres and 80 perches of land were sold to Wendel Wieand, and with \$966.00, for which sum 40 acres 40 perches of land were sold to Conrad Dotterer, son of the decedent. Wendel Wieand, however, did not retain his purchase, for John Mock became the owner of it, and lived upon it until his death, a period of nearly forty years.

Michael Dotterer's farm was advantageously located on the eastern bank of Society run, as described on page 26. It contained, until 1804, two hundred and thirty-six acres. To the original small dwelling erected by his father Michael Dotterer built an addition, more than doubling the capacity of the house. He was a prosperous farmer, and stood high in the community.

Michael Dotterer was captain of a company of Philadelphia county militia attached to the Sixth Battalion in 1777 and 1778. Colonel William Antes, Esq., a sub-lieutenant for the county, paid Captain Michael Dotterer £321 10s., the amount of his pay-roll, February 28, 1778. All the militia of Frederick township and part of Limerick township were enrolled in his company.

Michael Dotterer died in the house by the side of Society run, on his farm, and he was buried, March 14, 1811, in the graveyard which adjoins Bertolet's Mennonite meeting house. Both his wives also rest there. All three graves have suitable stones. The words on the headstones are:

Hier
ruhen die Glieder
des wevland gewesen
MICHAEL DOTTERER.

Er wurde gebohren den 31sten October 1735, Trat in die Ehe mit Anna Reiffen mit welcher er 5 Jahr und 14 Tage in der Ehe lebte und zeugten 4 Kinder, 3 Söhne und 1 Tochter, nachdem begab er sich mit Catharina Reiffen in der Ehe mit welcher er 44 Jahre und 5 Monathe in der Ehe lebte und zeugten 4 Kinder, 2 Söhne und 2 Tochter, und starb den 12ten Mertz, 1811, seines alters 75 Jahre 4 Monathe und 12 tage sein Leichentext Evangelium S. Luca am 12ten Capitel vers 37: Selig sind die Knechte die der Herr so er kommt wachend findet.

Hier
ruhet der Leibe der
verstorbenen
ANNA DOTTERER,
Eine gebohrne Reiffen, und gewesene Ehefrau des Michael Dotterer. Sie wurde gebohren im Jahr 1740 und starb den 30sten January, 1766, ihres alters ohngefehr 26 Jahren.

Hier
ruhet der Leib
der verstorbenen
CATHARINA DOTTERER,
Ehefrau des Michael Dotterer, Eine gebohrne Reiffen. Sie wurde gebohren den 11ten February, 1745, und starb den 16ten November 1820, brachte ihre alter auf 75 Jahr 9 Monathe u. 5 tage.

THE DOTTERER FAMILY.

HIS REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES.

The services of Michael Dotterer in assisting in the establishment of American Independence during the War of the Revolution, were stated as follows, in an application, made October 28, 1895, by the compiler of this work, for membership for himself in the Society of the Pennsylvania Sons of the Revolution, which application was granted:

Michael Dotterer was Captain of a Company of Militia of the Sixth Battalion of Philadelphia County, commanded by Colonel Frederick Antes. Captain Dotterer's Company was mustered May 26, 1777, and consisted of all the men liable to military duty in Frederick township, and part of those in the adjoining township of Limerick. In August, 1777, the entire eight classes of his Company and the other companies of the Sixth Battalion were called upon to march. (See Pamphlet in the Library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, entitled "State of the Accounts of Wm. Antes, Esq., Sub-Lieutenant of Philadelphia County," consisting of 17 pages, signed by John Nicholson, Comptroller-General's office, dated December, 1782; on pages 4-8 names of persons fined for non-performance of duty when called to march; Account No. III names of delinquents at muster May 26, 1777.) On the 11th day of September, 1777, the day of the Battle of Brandywine, the said Sixth Battalion, Colonel Antes, of which Captain Dotterer's company formed a part, was ordered by the Supreme Executive Committee, then in session at Philadelphia, to rendezvous immediately at Swedes' Ford, on the Schuylkill River, a point just below the present Norristown. (See minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania (Colonial Records), Vol. XI. Harrisburg: Printed by Theo. Fenn & Co. 1852. Page 301: "Ordered, That Colo. Heister, Colo. Corsey, Colo. Antis, & Colo. Deane's respective Battalions do immediately rendezvous at the Sweed's Ford," etc. Subsequently, probably in the Spring of 1778, the first four classes of the said Sixth Battalion, including Captain Dotterer's Company, were again called upon to march. [See State of Accounts of Wm. Antes, Esq., Sub-Lieutenant, before mentioned, Account No. II, pages 9 and 10.]

Captain Michael Dotterer was paid by William Antes, Esq., Sub-Lieutenant for Philadelphia County, the amount of his pay roll, February 28, 1778, £321 10 0, which sum was charged to the debit of the United States, as appears in the printed Accounts of the Military Expenses of Pennsylvania during the Revolutionary War. [See the before-mentioned State of Accounts of William Antes, Esq., Sub-Lieutenant, page 2.] Michael Dotterer received from the State of Pennsylvania Depreciation Pay by donation of land. His name appears in a list of Revolutionary soldiers. [See Pennsylvania in the War of the Revolution, Associators and Militia, Vol. I. Edited by William H. Egle, M. D. Harrisburg: E. K. Meyers, State Printer, 1887. Page 58.] It also appears in an index to names of receivers of depreciation pay, filed at Harrisburg. [See letter of Wm. H. Egle, State Librarian, Harrisburg, July 5, 1895.] It is a tradition in the family that he owned lands in the interior of the State, but that the lands were sold for delinquent taxes.

A NEIGHBORS' DISPUTE DECIDED AT LAW.

There was a long-standing dispute between the Nycles and the Dotterers respecting the true dividing line between the lands. Upon the death of Michael Dotterer this feud became a subject of litigation, and was decided according to the following judgment, copied from the Montgomery county records:

George Nyce

vs.

Conrad Dotterer

WRIT OF EJECTMENT.

. Lawyers,
Markley,
Ross.

Aug. 22, 1812. Jury could not agree, and were discharged.

Nov. 19, 1812, another jury failed to agree and were discharged, and "all matters in variance in this cause are referred by agreement of parties under the Act of 1705 to Samuel Baird (Pottsgrove), John Elliott (Lower Merion) and Thomas Livezey (Upper Dublin), or any two of them, ex parte rule on six days notice, who reported that they find for the defendant and award that a line from a large white oak (Blocked which appears to have been marked about ninety years ago) bearing N. 49° 50' W. to a stone corner of a tract surveyed by David Schultz on the tenth day of March A. D. 1761, containing 9 acres 65 perches for George Nice being also a corner of a lot containing 65 acres surveyed by the said David Schultz for the said George Nice on the 28th day of Feb. A. D. 1758 be continued the same course N. 49° 50' W. to the line of New Hanover tp. which we adjudge to be the true line of the lands in dispute between the said parties.

Feb. 15, 1813, Judg^t nisi.

RESCUED FROM DROWNING.

About seventy yards southwest of the dwelling house, Society run is bordered, on the side opposite the Dotterer land, by a natural wall of rock; a palisade rises some ten or fifteen feet; above this grew stately, pungent hemlocks whose branches overhung the stream, and back of these grew oak, hickory and ash. The Nyce family owned the land here for at least six generations. On a certain occasion a thrilling incident occurred here, which nearly cost Michael Dotterer his life. It was his custom, when returning from the neighboring store or from public gatherings, to make a short-cut through Nyce's woods, and to cross by walking over the trunk of a tree which had fallen across the run. On this occasion the stream was swollen by recent rains. Catharine, his wife, told her son Conrad to go to the creek to assist his father in making the dangerous crossing. Conrad did so. Notwithstanding this precaution, the father slipped off the log into the rushing waters. He wore a coat with short tails. Conrad succeeded in grasping one of the coat tails, and bringing his father safely ashore. Grateful for his rescue, Michael told his wife, "Der Conrad hat fünfzig pfund verdient"—Conrad has earned fifty pounds. "What do you mean?" asked Catharine. "Conrad has saved my life and he shall have fifty ponnnds as a reward," was the reply. To which the wife remarked: "If you mean what you say, give Conrad the money now." "No, not now," he said; "but it will be all right in due time." The mother then turned to her son, saying, "Conrad, you need work no more to-day; you have saved your father (der Alt), and have earned fifty pounds—enough for one day." The promised reward was not paid, and the father died without making provision for its payment. At the settlement of the estate, the widow desired the children to allow Conrad the £50 before the division. All the sons and daughters agreed to this request, but one of the sons-in-law objected, saying, "Show me in black and white ('weis mir in schwarz und weiss) that this was to be so, and I shall agree;

otherwise, I object." Conrad did not obtain the promised reward at that time. But the mother was not content. She said it was right that Conrad should have what was promised him. She was determined that it should be given him. In her will she directed that £50 be paid to Conrad before the others, in these words: "I give and bequeath unto my son Conrad £50 lawful money of Pennsylvania in advance for divers good reasons."

BERTOLET'S BURYING GROUND.

When Anna Reiff, the first wife of Michael Dotterer, died, her burial was recorded in the church book of the New Hanover Lutheran congregation in these words:

Februarius den 1sten 1766 Ist dem junge Michael Dotterer Ehfrau auf Zacharias Neisz' land begraben worden alt 24 jahr 11 monat und 1 woch.

Translation: February 1, 1766, Michael Dotterer, Junior's, wife was buried upon Zacharias Nyce's Land; aged 24 years, 11 months, one week.

She was probably not the first to be buried at this spot. It is located in the western part of Frederick township, distant about one mile from the home in which she died. Many of the members of the neighboring families have since been buried here. The place is now named Bertolet's Burying Ground. Bertolet's Mennonite meeting house stands near the graveyard. See Theodore W. Bean's History of Montgomery County (1884), page 840.

The graves of Michael Dotterer and his wives face to the east. In 1862 a mulberry tree shaded them, but this has been cut down. Anna lies at the foot of her husband; Catharina at his right. The headstones of Michael and Anna Dotterer stand three feet above ground; that of Catharina one and a half feet. The stones are blue marble; the lettering is in German, and was done by an excellent workman.

Bertolet's Burying Ground Association was incorporated, in the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery county, on the 21st day of April, 1890. The association has no capital stock, and it is not conducted for profit. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 196.

THE WIDOW'S WILL.

Catharine Dotterer, widow of Michael Dotterer, made a will, on the 23d of April, 1814, which was probated on the 2d of December, 1820. She directed this disposition of her estate: "My property shall be sold as soon as convenient, and the money arising out of such sale together with the money due me on bonds, notes and book account, shall, after my debts and funeral expenses are paid, be divided as follows, to wit: I give and bequeath unto my son Conrad Dotterer £50, lawful money of Pennsylvania, in advance for divers good reasons. All the rest and residue of my estate shall be equally divided amongst my four children, to wit: John Dotterer, Conrad Dottere, Maria, wife of Jacob Smith, and Cath-

arine, the wife of Wendle Wiant, share and share alike." She nominated Wendle Wiant sole executor.

NOTES.

In 1862, Eliza (Dotterer) Boyer, a granddaughter of Michael and Catharine Dotterer, said: Catharine Dotterer, widow of Michael Dotterer, remained at the homestead on Society run, living in a log house, after the property had passed into the ownership of John Mock.

Michael Dotterer and wife were sponsors for Catharina Maurer, daughter of Henry and Philippina (Dotterer) Maurer, born August 12, 1787; baptized, by the pastor of the Goshenhoppen charge, October 21, 1787.

April 6, 1801, Michael Dotterer and wife Catharine were sponsors for Catharine Joerger (Yerger), daughter of Andreas and Philippina Joerger, baptized by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

Catharine (Reiff) Dotterer was remembered by her grandson, Philip Dotterer (son of Conrad Dotterer), as a short and rather stout person.

Pierre Rochon was stopping at the house of Michael Dotterer when a heavy thunder storm came up, and lightning struck the barn, burning it to the ground. This incident was narrated by the late John Eidemiller, a grandson of Rochon, at Green Lane, Pa., August 7, 1883.

Michael Dotterer, the militia captain of 1777 and 1778, kept his Continental hat in a three-cornered box. This hat box came into the possession of Daniel Hollowbush, of New Hanover township. Early in the year 1880, Hollowbush advertised for sale his personal effects. An effort was made, through the late George S. Nyce, of Frederick, to secure this Revolutionary relic, but without success.

Anna Dotterer died on January 30, 1766, the day of the birth of her son Michael. The date of birth of her son Peter is nowhere recorded. The record of confirmations of Falkner Swamp Reformed church show that the brothers Peter Dotterer and Michael Dotterer were both confirmed June 9, 1781, and their ages are given as fifteen years. They may have been twins.

14. JACOB DOTTERER¹ (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dotterer¹). Born, in Frederick township, July 4, 1737; baptized, by Rev. John Henry Goetschy, pastor of New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, February 5, 1738, and given the name Johann Jacob, the sponsors being Jacob Fisher and Sophia Elizabeth, his grandparents; confirmed, at Easter, 1753, a member of Falkner Swamp Reformed church. In the record of Falkner Swamp Reformed church occurs the baptism, without date, of a son of Jacob Dotterer:

89. Michael Dotterer⁴, born January 1, 1762. Sponsors, the parents.

There is nothing further to indicate that the father of this child was the subject of this sketch.

Our knowledge of Jacob Dotterer ends here. Whether he received from his father a farm, as he did the other sons, is not known; nor is there any clue as to the time he left the paternal home, or where he located.

18. ANNA MARIA DOTTERER³ (Michael Dotterer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Frederick township, January 24, 1745; sponsors at baptism, Conrad Grob and wife; married ——— Reiff.

In the will of Michael Dotterer, the father of Anna Maria Dotterer, made in York county, October 10, 1783, is mentioned his daughter, Mary Rife, which is the only known record of her adult life.

19. VERONICA DOTTERER³ (Hieronimus Doderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born January 7, 1725; married, May 24, 1746, Philip Yost; died December 7, 1798. Philip Yost (Jost) was born in Europe, May 9, 1718; died in Pottsgrove township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, October 23, 1804, and was buried on the 23d of October, 1804. They are buried at the Reformed and Lutheran Union churchyard, at Pottstown. Children:

- 90. John Yost⁴, born April 9, 1747.
- 91. Hernian Yost⁴, born in 1749.
- 92. Anna Catharine Yost⁴, born July 23, 1751.
- 93. Elizabeth Yost⁴, born in 1755.
- 94. John Philip Yost⁴, born August 24, 1757.
- 95. Salome Yost⁴, born July 19, 1760.
- 96. Barbara Yost⁴, born June 15, 1763.
- 97. Maria Magdalena Yost⁴, born April 21, 1766.
- 98. Rachel Yost⁴, born August 2, 1769.

Philip Yost was naturalized September 24, 1755. He resided on a farm in that part of New Hanover township which is now included in Pottsgrove township. He and his family were members originally of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation, but later of the Pottstown congregation.

In 1769, Philip Yost, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was taxed £16 4 0 Proprietary tax on 200 acres of land, 4 horses and 4 cattle.

In 1774, Philip Yost, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was assessed £17 1 4, Provincial tax on 200 acres of land, 4 horses and 6 cattle.

In 1779, Philip Yost, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was taxed £21 for Effective Supplies. He was assessed this year on 155 acres, 2 horses, 6 cattle.

In 1781, the Effective Supply tax of Philip Yost, farmer, of New Hanover township, was £7 13 0, on a valuation of £677.

In 1783, Philip Yost, of New Hanover township, was assessed for Federal tax on 170 acres of land, 1 horse, 2 horned cattle and 5 sheep.

In 1779, Philip Yost was elected an Overseer of the Poor of New Hanover township. In 1782 he was chosen an Overseer of Highways.

The maiden name of the wife of Hieronimus Doderer, and the mother of Veronica Yost, was Catharina Wesel. This fact was discovered by Rev. Prof. William J. Hinke, of Philadelphia, in July, 1902, in the records of the Oley congregation of the Moravian Church, which are preserved in the archives at Bethlehem, Pa.

The words on the headstone at Veronica Yost's grave are:

Hier ruhen die
Gebeine der Seeligvereinigten
Vronica Jostin,
gebohrne Dottern und Ehefrau des
Philip Jost.
Sie war gebohren den 7^{ten} January 1725,
Lebte in der Ehe 52 Jahre, 6 Monat und
13 Tage.
Starb den 7^{ten} Decbr 1798.

20. AGNES DOTTERER^s (Hieronimus Doderer^s, George Philip Dodderer¹). Born February 14, 1727; married Yost Bitting; died November 2, 1785. Jost (Justus) Bitting, son of Henrich and Anna Katharina Böttig, was born in Freinsheim, in the Palatinate, July 2, 1713; died in New Hanover township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1801. Children:

99. Henry Bitting^s.
100. Joseph Bitting^s.
101. Peter Bitting^s.
102. Sophia Bitting^s.
103. Mary Bitting^s, born in 1741.
104. Rebecca Bitting^s, confirmed in 1771, aged 26.
105. Rachel Bitting^s, born in 1747.
106. Anna Bitting^s.
107. John Bitting^s, born July 6, 1754.
108. Ludwig Bitting^s, born October 24, 1759.
109. Philip Bitting^s.

Upon authority of a warrant issued March 25, 1741, three tracts of land, situate at the time in Limerick township, were surveyed—one of 145½ acres to Joseph Bittin, one of 96½ acres to Henry Antes, and the third of 106½ acres to Henry Deringer, all with allowance for roads. Mr. Bitting's was bounded on the northwest by The German Tract, on the northeast by lands of George Heebner and Henry Antes, on the southeast by Joseph Pike's land, and on the southwest by the above-mentioned tract of Henry Antes.

September 5, 1757, Joseph Bitting was appointed an Overseer of the Poor of New Hanover township.

August 10, 1761, Jost Bitting bought of Mathias Ox and Anna Maria, his wife, two tracts in Hanover township, said to contain together 141 acres—the one 108 acres, and the other 33 acres. Adam Ox, the father of Mathias Ox, bought the first tract of Philip Jacob Zittel, who had bought it of Henry VanBebber; and the second of Christian Jacobs.

April 4, 1741, Joseph Bitten (Bitting) paid the Proprietaries £58 4 0 in full for 145½ acres (@ £40 per 100 acres) in Limerick township, part of a tract of which Henry Antes bought 96½ acres.

In 1769, Youst Bitting, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was assessed £28 8 0 tax on grist mill, 287 acres of land, 4 horses, and 3 cattle. In 1774, in same township, Jost Bitten was assessed Provincial tax £24 2 8 on grist mill, 4 horses and 6 cattle.

In the tax list of New Hanover township for 1779 is: Joseph Bitting, farmer, 280 acres, 4 horses, 5 cows. Also, in 1779, Joseph Bidding, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was taxed for Effective Supplies £34 0 0.

In 1781, for Effective Supplies, Yost Bitting, farmer, of New Hanover township, was taxed £10 4 0 on a valuation of £800. Also, Joseph Bitting's estate £1 5 6 on a valuation of £156.

In 1783, Yost Bitting, of New Hanover township, was rated for Federal tax, on 251 acres of land, 1 horse, 2 head of cattle and 3 sheep.

In 1757 Joseph Bitting was an Overseer of Highways of New Hanover township.

Jost Bitting made his will November 8, 1793; it was probated January 26, 1802. After paying debts, the balance left for distribution was £2623 3 9½.

Jost Bitting and Agnes, his wife, are buried in Leidig's graveyard, in Frederick township. Their stones bear these words:

Hier
Ruhet In Gott der
Leib der Verstorbenen
AngneSea Bittingin
Geböhren d. 14 Feber
Wari 1727 Gestorben
d: 2 NoVember 1785
ihres ALterS 58 Jahr
8 Monnat und 8 Tag

Hier
ruhen die Gebeine eine Mit-
bruders Namens
JOST BITTING
er wurde geboren den 5ten Tag
Julius im Jahr 1713, und ist
gestorben den 25ten Tag Decem-
ber im Jahr 1801.
Sein Alter war 88 Jahren 5
Monatten und 18 Tagen.

CHURCH CONNECTION.

The Bitting and Dotterer families were Reformed Church people. During the Zinzendorfian movement in Pennsylvania, which was actively promoted by Henry Antes, of Frederick township, Jost Bitting became identified with the Moravian Church. Henry Antes and Jost Bitting were born in the same town, Treinsheim, in the Palatinate of the Rhine, and

they were near neighbors in Falkner Swamp. We find in the printed list of members of the Oley Moravian congregation for 1753 this statement:

"Just Buetting. Born in 1713 in Frantzheim. Immigrated in 1723. United with the Moravians in 1743."

In the archives of the Moravian Church at Bethlehem, Pa., the following information regarding the connection of Agnes (Doderer) Bütting with the Oley congregation of that denomination was found, in July, 1902, by Rev. Prof. William J. Hinke, of Philadelphia:

Agnes Buettingin geb. Dotterin. Geb. in 1727 den 14. Febr. in Pensylv. Eltern: Hieronymus Dotter, Catharina, geborne Weselin. Heyrathete Jost Buetting. Töchter dieser Ehe: Sophia, Catharina, Rahel, Rebecca, Anna Maria, Anna. Wurde 1756 den 24. Oct. in die Gemeinde aufgenommen in Oley. 1758 im April ein Abendmahlgenoss zum erstenmale.

The Bittings of the generations subsequent to Jost Bitting have been, generally, members of the Reformed Church.

REFERENCES.

Henry Bitting, father of Jost Bitting. See Perkiomen Region, Volume One, page 59.

Henry Bitting's Passport, and brief family record, dated April 24, 1723. See Schwenksville (Pa.) Item, July 7, 1882; also, Historical Notes (clippings) Montgomery county. By Henry S. Dotterer. In Library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Freinsheim, in the Palatinate. See Perkiomen Region, Volume Two, page 20.

21. ABRAHAM MARKLEY² (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Skippack and Perkiomen township, August 12, 1723; married, in September, 1745, Anna Barbara Ickes; died, in Skippack and Perkiomen township, March 20, 1800. Barbara Ickes, born August 8, 1721; died January 27, 1808. Husband and wife are buried at the Lower Mennonite meeting-house, in Perkiomen township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. Children:

110. Abraham Markley⁴, born January 8, 1745.
111. Isaac Markley⁴, born October 21, 1746.
112. Elizabeth Markley⁴, born April 23, 1749.
113. Benjamin Markley⁴, born July 13, 1751.
114. Jacob Markley⁴.
115. Maria Barbara Markley⁴, born November 24, 1756.
116. John Markley⁴, born January 20, 1760.
117. Daniel Markley⁴, born January 10, 1763; died June 13, 1764; buried at Lower Mennonite meeting-house, Perkiomen township.
118. Samuel Markley⁴.

Abraham Markley was a blacksmith and farmer. In 1785 he held the office of Commissioner of Montgomery county.

In the census of Perkiomen and Skippack township of June 5, 1756, is: Abraham Marcly, blacksmith; 5 children under 21; acres owned, 100—cleared 70 acres, sowed with corn 12 acres; held one bound servant;

owned 3 horses, 1 mare, 4 sheep, and 4 horned cattle. In 1781, Abraham Markley, blacksmith, of Skippack township, is rated, for Effective Supply tax, on a valuation of £356 0 0, the tax being £5 6 10. In 1782 the valuation is £402 0 0, and the tax £3 3 0.

Abraham Markley and his family were members of the Providence (Trappe) Lutheran congregation. In the books of that church we find that he was a contributor to the support of Pastor Muhlenberg in 1760, and there, too, are recorded the baptisms and confirmations of some of his children.

PURCHASE AND SALE OF LAND IN NEW HANOVER.

May 31, 1777, Abraham Markley, of Perkioming and Skippack township, yeoman, purchased of William Antes, of New Hanover township, yeoman, and Christin, his wife, for £584, lawful money of Pennsylvania, a tract of land in New Hanover township, containing 116 acres, 27 perches, bounded by lands of Joseph Bitting, Frederick Antis, Peter Dehaven, Jacob Libegood and William Antes. He held this property until May 14, 1782, when he (Abraham Markley, of Skippack and Perkiomen township, blacksmith, and Barbara, his wife) sold it to his son, Benjamin Markley, of New Hanover township, blacksmith, for £800, lawful money of Pennsylvania. Accompanying the deed for this property is this interesting

ABSTRACT OF TITLE.

- Deed. John Henry Sproggell to Henry VanBebber (of Germantown), 500 A Nov. 14, 1718.
- Deed. Henry VanBebber to Frederick Antes (of Germantown aforesaid) for 156 A. Feb. 20, 1722.
- Will. Frederick Antes bequeathing to his son, Henry Antes, all his plantation, &c., in New Hanover tp., dated Aug. 15, 1746.
- Will, 20 July, 1754. Henry Antes, bequeathing to his son, Henry Antes, his plantation in New Hanover (the above 156 ac. and 20 acres of other land of his alongside of the same, which is included in the within granted land.)
- Deed, May 9, 1774. s^d Henry Antes, the son, to William Antes, the party hereto, for 127½ acres, part of the land bequeathed to him and including the land within granted.

HIS ESTATE.

Having made no will, upon his death letters of administration were granted, April 7, 1800, to his sons, Benjamin Markley and John Markley, both residents of New Hanover township. The bond given by them was for £8800. Their sureties were Michael Ziegler and Mathias Tyson. Appraisement of the estate was made March 24, 1800, by Henry Hunsicker and Michael Ziegler; the inventory amounted to £4043 2 3. The decedent had a remarkably large variety of apparel, furniture, implements, utensils, etc. Among the items were: A large Bible, 20 other books, 22 shirts and velvet breeches. The accounts of the administrators were passed February 15, 1803; they showed a net balance of £4205 15 3. Among the items for which the administrators took credit were these:

Paid John Hahn, doctor, £0 11 3; Frederick Weinland, minister, £1 2 6. Abraham Markley in his lifetime made advances to his heirs, as shown by the appraisers' inventory, of the sums: Abraham Markley, £397 0 0; Mathias Tyson, £362 17 5; Benjamin Markley, £476 9 3; Jacob Markley, £357 13 0; John Markley, £292 19 1; Barbara Warthman, £306 16 4; Isaac Markley, £119 4 5. The accounts relating to the settlement of Abraham Markley's estate were made out by Benjamin Markley, in his customary neat and correct manner.

The inscriptions on the stones which mark the graves of Abraham and Barbara Markley and their son Daniel, are:

Hier
ruhen die Gebeine der
verstorbenen
Barbara Maerckley
welche geboren den 8ten
tag August 1721 und
starb den 27ten January
1808
ihres alters 86 Jahr
5 monath und 19 Tage.
(4 lines of verse.)

In Memory
Daniel, son of
Abraham and
Barbrey
Merckley
who departed this
Life June the 13
1764 Aged 1 year
5 months & 3 days.

Hier
Rubet der Leichnam des
verstorbenen
Abraham Maerckley
er ward geboren den 12ten
tag August 1723, und starb
den 20ten tag Maerz 1800
Seines alters 76 Jahr 7 mo-
nath 8 tag.
(8 lines of verse.)

NOTES.

Extracts from the New Providence (Trappe) Lutheran church records:

A° 1745 im Monath Septemb. ist Abraham Merckel mit Anna Barbara Ikesin getraut.

PARENTS.	BAPTISMS. CHILDREN.	SPONSORS.
Abraham Merkel und fr.	Isaac { b. 21 October 1746 bap. 29 March 1747	The Parents
Abraham Merckel fr. Anna Barbara	Benjamin { b. 11 June 1751 bap. 28 Jan. 1752	The Parents
Abraham Merckel fr. Barbara	Maria Barbara Zehn Johr Wochenalt geb. d. 24 Novemb. 1756	Maria Barbara Heiserin

CONFIRMATIONS.

June 1, 1760, was confirmed: Abraham Merckle, Abraham Merckles son in the 16th year.

May 19, 1765, on Sunday Exaudi was confirmed in Providence; Isaac Mercklin des Abraham Mercklins Sohn.

Also: Elisabetha Mercklin, des Abraham Mercklin's tochter.

May 20, 1772, was confirmed: Jacob Mercklin, Abraham's son.

Also: Barbara Mercklin, Abraham's daughter.

SPONSORS.

Abraham Merckel u. fr. were sponsors for Abraham (b. 1 June, bapt. 22 June, 1755), son of Arnd Rose & wf. Dorothea Heiderich.

Abraham Merkel and wife Anna Barbara were sponsors for Anna Barbara, dau. of Nicolaus Schwenk and wf. Anna Barbara, b. 12 June, bapt. 12 Oct., 1755.

Abraham Merckel u. s. frau were sponsors for the child of Johannes Ickes u. fr. Christina, which was born 30th August, baptized 22 October 1758, and named Abraham.

November 27, 1760, Abraham Merckle subscribed 10 shillings towards the salary of Rev. Mr. Muhlenberg as pastor of the Lutheran congregation at New Providence.

Wednesday, December 3, 1777. In the afternoon I had a visit from two old members of the congregation in Providence, Abraham Merkel and Henry Heilman; each brought a piece of meat as a present, out of love; we held edifying discourses.—DIARY OF REV. HENRY M. MUHLENBERG.

22. PHILIP MARKLEY³ (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born August 27, 1725; married, December 16, 1746, Mary Johnson; died in Norristown, April 5, 1800. Mary Johnson died February 22, 1815, aged ninety-one years. They are buried at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, Centre Square, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. Children:

119. Jacob Markley⁴, born August 28, 1747.
120. Elizabeth Markley⁴, born December 22, 1749.
121. Daniel Markley⁴, born October 3, 1755.
122. Hannah Markley⁴, born October 30, 1759.
123. John Markley⁴, born December 8, 1764.

In the census of Perkiomen and Skippack township, June 5, 1756, appears: Philip Marcly, cordwinder; 3 children under 21; owned 70 acres—30 acres cleared, 7 acres sowed with corn; held 2 bound servants; 2 horses, 4 horned cattle. At this time he resided in the house on Skippack road, one and a half miles below Pennebaker's mills, marked on Nicholas Scull's map of 1759, "Markly."

In 1755 William Bradford in a publication gave the distance from Farmer's Mill, on the Wissahickon, to Philip Markley's as 14 miles, 3 quarters and 70 perches. The distances at the principal points on the Skippack road were given as follows:

Farmer's Mill to Jacob Wentz's (Jacob Wentz's)	9 miles, 1 quarter, 24 perches
" Skepack Creek	11 " 1 " 60 "
" Teeter Welger's (Dietrich Welcker's)	12 " 0 " 20 "
" Philip Markley's	14 " 3 " 70 "
" Pennebaker's Mill, in Parkiomy Creek	16 " 3 " 30 "

General Washington, in a letter from the camp in New Hanover (at Fagleysville), written immediately before he moved the army to Pennypacker's Mills, announced his purpose to place a detachment as far in advance of the main army as Philip Markley's. The traditions of the Markley family are clear that the troops of the American army were encamped on the hillsides of the Markley farm, prior to the battle of Germantown.

In the Providence township tax lists of 1781-83, we find the name of Philip Markley, miller. For the Effective Supply tax, in 1781, we find him taxed £8 3 10 on a valuation of £630; and in 1782, he was

taxed £3 13 2 on a valuation of £644. In 1783, for the Federal tax, he was rated on a grist mill, 47 acres, 2 horses, 4 horned cattle, 6 sheep. Philip Markley probably resided in this township at this date.

Philip Markley acquired a large estate, which he disposed of by will dated June 8, 1790. At this time he resided in Norriton township (in that part which is now the borough of Norristown), Montgomery county. He named as executors of his estate Mary Markley, his wife, and Jacob Markley, his son. The witnesses to the will were Israel Jacobs, Jesse Jacobs and Phebe Jacobs. His will was probated April 14, 1800. He directed that his children should receive as follows:

Jacob Markley: The plantation in Skippack and Perkiomen township, which testator received from his father, Jacob Markley, deceased, and Joseph Pawling, containing 79 acres. Subject to certain payments.

Daniel Markley: The plantation partly in Providence and partly in Skippack and Perkiomen township, bought of Adam Bitting and of William Dewees, High Sheriff of Philadelphia county, containing about 100 acres, together with grist mill thereon. Subject to the payment of certain legacies to other heirs.

John Markley: The plantation of 47 acres and tan-yard, whereon testator resided at date of making the will. Subject to the payment of certain legacies to other heirs.

Elizabeth Markley, wife of John Sieber: £400 lawful money of Pennsylvania, payable in specie.

Hannah Markley, wife of Matthias Koplin: £400 lawful money of Pennsylvania, payable in specie.

Philip Markley and family were of the Lutheran persuasion. He was a member of Providence (Trappe) Lutheran church. November 27, 1760, we find him a contributor to the support of the pastor, Rev. Mr. Muhlenberg; he subscribed 10 shillings. In the church book of that congregation are the baptismal and other records of his family. His wife, who was of Mennonite parentage, was baptized in the Lutheran Church nearly ten years after their marriage, as the following entry shows: "Philip Merckels Frau Maria war 31 Jahr alt und ist getauft d. 24sten Octob. 1756. Zeugen—Jacob Merckel, Philip Merckel, Michael Walter, Schulmeister und s. Frau." In the records of the Providence Lutheran church are also entered these baptisms and confirmations:

PARENTS.	CHILDREN.	SPONSORS.
Philip Merckel fr. Maria	Jacob ist 9 Jahr alt getauft den 24 Novemb. 1756	Zeuge eine gantze Versammlung
" "	Elisabeth, sieben Jahr alt getauft d. 24 Novemb. 1756	" " " "
" "	Daniel ein Jahr alt getauft den 24 Novemb. 1756.	Eltern Selber
" "	Hanna: geb. d. 30 Octob. 1759 get. d. 10 Aug. (1760)	Eltern selbst
Philipp Merckli und fr. Maria	Johannes, geboren d. 8ten Dec. 1764, getauft den 23 Jun. 1765	die Eltern selbst

CONFIRMATIONS.

In the year 1770 was confirmed: Jacob Mercklin, Philipp's son.

" also: Elisabeth Mercklin, Philipp's daughter.

At the meeting of the Council of Safety, held on Saturday, November 8, 1777; Philip Markley and others were appointed commissioners for Philadelphia county, to collect supplies for the American army.

FAMILY BIBLE RECORD.

Jacob Markley, the original owner of the family Bible, made this entry of the birth of his son, Philip Markley:

A son born on the last Sunday, the 27th day, in the month of August, A. D. 1725; baptized and named Philip. His godfather and godmother were his grandparents, George Philip Dodderer and Fronica, his wife.

After the death of Jacob Markley the Bible passed into the possession of Philip Markley, his son, who made these entries therein:

Philip Markley, son of the within-named Jacob Markley, was joined in Holy Matrimony to Mary Johnson, December 16th, A. D. 1746, who begat the following children, to wit:

- 1st. A son, named Jacob, was born August 28th, A. D. 1747.
(Who died September 26th, 1821, aged 74 years, 4 months.)
- 2nd. A daughter named Elizabeth was born December 22nd, 1749.
(Died on Sunday, Jany. 14, 1821, aged 71 years and 23 days.)
- 3rd. A son named Daniel was born October 3rd, A. D. 1755.
(Died March 2nd, 1817, aged 63 yrs , 5 mo., 18 days.)
- 4th. A daughter named Hannah was born October 30th, A. D. 1759.
(Who died December 29th, 1820, aged 61 yrs., 2 mos., 15 days.)
(She was intermarried with Matthias Koplin, who died January 5, 1813, aged 53 yrs.)
- 5th. A son named John was born December 8th, 1764.
(Who died July 28, 1834, aged 69 years, 7 months and 20 days)

Another hand wrote the following:

The above named Philip Markley (born Aug. 27, 1725), died April 5th, 1800, aged 74 yrs. 7 mos. 5 days; and his wife Mary (the above named Mary Johnson) died February 22nd (21st?), 1815, aged 91 years.

NOTES.

July 24, 1770, Philip Markley was one of the appraisers of the estate, real and personal, of Peter Pennebacker, deceased, late the owner of Pennebacker's mills on the Perkiomen.

November 25, 1769, Frederick Isett, of New Providence township, gave a mortgage on his property to Philip Markley, of "Skippack & Perquimont township, cordwainer," for £200 Pennsylvania money. October 29, 1796, Philip Markley acknowledged payment of the mortgage.

At the Montgomery County Centennial celebration in 1884 was exhibited by a descendant the family register of Philip Markley, from 1746 to 1764, written by himself.

24. ISAAC MARKLEY* (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born May 24, 1729; married Sarah ———; died, in Hatfield township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, May 19, 1812. Sarah ———, wife of Isaac Markley, was born March 7, 1733; died December 7, 1823. They are buried at Lower Salford Mennonite graveyard. Children:

124. George Markley⁴, baptized November 24, 1756, aged one year.

125. Henry Markley⁴, born July 17, 1759.

126. Abraham Markley⁴, born August 1, 1764.

In the census taken June 5, 1756, of Perkiomen and Skippack township, is found: Isaac Marcly, farmer; 2 children under 21; dwells on Jacob Marcly's land; 15 acres sowed with corn; rent 8£ (Pennsylvania currency, probably); 2 horses, 1 mare, 5 horned cattle.

October 28, 1765, Isaac Markly, of Lower Salford township, bought 125 acres and 6 per cent. allowance, in Salford township, of Nicholas Holderman, Jr., and Elizabeth, his wife, of Charlestown, Chester county. He lived on it until, on October 14, 1811, he sold it to his son, Henry Markley.

The tax list of Lower Salford township, for 1769, shows that Isaac Markley was the owner of 125 acres of land, 2 horses, 5 horned cattle, and was taxed £11 6 0. In 1783, he was taxed, in the same township, on 125 acres, 3 horses, 4 cattle and 8 sheep.

Isaac Markley left an estate of upwards \$4200. His widow, unable to perform the duties of administratrix, desired that her sons, Henry Markley and Abraham Markley, be appointed administrators, in these words:

June the 12th, A. D. 1812.

This is to certify that I, Sarah Markley, of Hatfield Township, & County of Montgomery, Widow of Isaac Markley, Deceased, Being weak and Stricken in years not Capable to Serve as Administratir for Said Deceaseds Estate. And do Hereby Nominate and appoint Henry Markley of the Township of Lower Salford & County of Montgomery, and Abraham Markley of the Township of Upper Salford & County aforesaid Being Sons of Said Deceased.

Witness Presents }
Fred^l Ratzel
Abr^m Shipe }

her
SARAH S MARKLEY.
mark

Accordingly, on June 15, 1812, the sons, Henry Markley, of Lower Salford township, and Abraham Markley, of Upper Salford township, were appointed administrators. They gave a bond for \$8454.64. The household goods was appraised at \$153.99, and there was \$4073.33 in cash, making a total of \$4227.32.

NOTES.

The record of baptism of George Markley and Abraham Markley, sons of Isaac and Sarah Markley, is found in the books of Providence Lutheran church.

Isaac Merckele, in Schibbach in Berckjamin Township, advertised stray cattle, in Saur's Germantown newspaper, January 19, 1759.

In 1792 Isaac Markley was a constable of Lower Salford township.

In the MS. record of deaths in the Markley family is this: 1812. 19 May. Old Isaac Markley died.

25. VERONICA MARKLEY^a (Barbara Dodderer^a, George Philip Dodderer¹). Born April 1, 1732; married, April 30, 1751, George Schwenck; died, in Frederick township, October 2, 1777. George Schwenck, born in March, 1728; died February 24, 1803. He was buried, beside his wife, on his own farm on the east bank of Society run, in Frederick township. Children:

127. John Schwenck⁴, born March 5, 1752.
128. Jacob Schwenck⁴, born June 7, 1755.
129. Abraham Schwenck⁴, born May 25, 1759.
130. Daniel Schwenck⁴, born May 5, 1761.
131. Elizabeth Schwenck⁴, born December 31, 1766.

George Schwenck was a farmer and blacksmith. He was naturalized September 24, 1755. As early as 1754, he owned land in Frederick township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania. January 2, 1754, he bought of Michael Schwenck and Mary, his wife, one hundred acres in Frederick township, located principally on the west side of Old Cossihoppen (Old Goshenhoppen) creek; April 4, 1761, he conveyed this to Henry Bayer. October 28, 1765, he bought of David Hübner, two hundred acres in Frederick township, bounded by lands of Henry Kraus, John Reymer, Lodwick Reimer and Michael Renn and other land of George Schwenck; May 2, 1768, he sold one hundred and forty-six acres, one hundred and twenty-six perches of the tract which he had bought of David Hibner, of Frederick township, to Lodowick Reimer.

George Swank, of Philadelphia county, was naturalized September 24, 1755. He had taken the Sacrament September 23, 1755.

In 1769, George Swenk was the assessor for Frederick township, of the Proprietary Tax. He was taxed £15 18 4 on 200 acres, 3 horses and 5 cattle. In 1774 George Swenk, of Frederick township, was rated £16 1 4 for Provincial Tax on 200 acres of land, 3 horses and 5 horned cattle. In 1776, George Swenk appears in the Frederick township assessment as owner of 200 acres of land, 3 horses, 5 cows. In 1779 George Swenk was collector, for Frederick township, of the Supply tax of the year 1779. His tax was £16.

Letters of administration in the estate of George Schwenck, deceased, were granted, March 25, 1803, to Jacob Schwenck and Abraham Schwenck. The settlement showed a net balance of £3134 11 6½ for distribution to the heirs. The administrators filed their account February 12, 1805.

Notices of the filing were put up at Henry Krebs's, at Philip Boyer, Jr.'s, and at Samuel Boyer's, three of the most public places in the neighborhood of the parties interested. Samuel Pennebacker and Abraham Groff made the appraisement of his personal estate, which amounted to £1468 8 3½. Among his effects was a sermon book appraised 7s. 6d. The children had received advances as follows:

John Markley (husband of Elizabeth Schwenk)	£187 3 6
Jacob Schwenk	475 5 0
John Schwenk	325 7 6
Daniel Schwenk	443 0 0
Abraham Schwenk	311 0 0

The inscriptions on the gravestones of George Schwenk and wife, were, as near as they could be deciphered, October 3, 1815, as follows:

Georg Shwenk
Born 1728 in March
Died Feb. 24, 1803,
Aged about 75 years.

Hier ruhen
verstorbenen
Fronica Schwenk
Geboren den 1ten
April im Jahr 1732.
Starb den 2ten October
Im Jahr 1777
Ihr Alter 45 Jahr.

NOTES.

In the Old Goshenhoppen Lutheran church record is this: Veronica, George Schwenk's wife, died 29th September, 1777.

Georg Swenck and Samuel Bartolet were named in the will of Conrad Duddarer, of Frederick township, as executors. (See page 61.

April 29, 1769, William Swenk, of Gwynedd township, blacksmith, and Mary, his wife, sold to Nicholas Swenk, of Lower Salford township, blacksmith, and George Swenk, of Frederick township, blacksmith, a small plantation in Gwynedd township.

In the MS. record of deaths in the Markley family occurs this: 1803. 25 February, old George Schwenk died.

See article, entitled The Schwenk Family, in The Perkiomen Region, Volume Three, page 51.

26. REBECCA MARKLEY³ (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born about 1734; married Frederick Isett (otherwise Isaac). Children:

132. Barbara Isett⁴, born in 1757.
133. Jacob Isett⁴, born in 1763.
134. Frederick Isett⁴, born May 23, 1767.
135. Elizabeth Isett⁴, born August 15, 1769.
136. Hannah Isett⁴.

Friederick Isaac and Jacob Isaac, brothers, both under sixteen, came over in the ship *Pennsylvania*, whose passengers signed the declaration at Philadelphia, September 11, 1732. It is said that their father died on the passage, and their mother married here afterwards.

Frederick Isett was a farmer, and resided in Providence township. In the tax lists, which give his name as Frederick Isaac, we trace him as follows: 1769, Proprietary tax on 100 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, tax, £9 13 8; 1774, Provincial tax, 100 acres, 2 horses, 3 cows, tax, £9 2 8; 1779, State Tax, £2 5 0; 1780, Effective Supply tax, on a valuation of £2600, £68 5 9; 1781, Effective Supply tax, on a valuation of £400, £5 4 0; 1783, Federal tax, rated on 83 acres, 2 horses, 2 cattle, 5 sheep.

July 4, 1801, Frederick Isett, then far advanced in years, made his last will and testament, which was proven July 23, 1803.

27. CHRISTINA MARKLEY³ (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born May 21, 1736; married William Antis; died August 21, 1805. William Antis, son of Henry and Christina (Deweese) Antes, was born November 18, 1731; died March 9, 1810. William and Christina Antes are buried at Canandaigua, New York. Children:

137. John Antis⁴, died, in Pennsylvania, before 1792.

138. Elizabeth Antis⁴, born February 17, 1757.

139. Christina Antis⁴, baptized March 14, 1759.

140. Sarah Antis⁴, born October 12, 1762.

141. Mary Antis⁴, born August 17, 1768; baptized, by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, November 5, 1768, and named Anna Maria; died in Pennsylvania, before 1792.

142. William Antis⁴, born March 15, 1776.

William Antis lived in Frederick and New Hanover townships up to the beginning of 1781, when he went to Northumberland county, where he held important positions of public trust. In 1792, he removed to the Genesee country, in New York, where he died.

By will of his father, Henry Antes, dated July 20, 1754, William Antis was bequeathed a half-interest in the testator's property in Frederick township, and woodland in Limerick township. The words of the will are:

"I give and Bequeath unto my two Eldest Sons Frederick and William all my Plantation . . . in the Township and County above s^d . . . containing 175 or more Acres of Land with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon and seventy-six Acres of Woodland out of the South East side of a Tract Containing Ninty odd Acres in Limrick Township between the Lines of Henry Diringer and Joseph Bitting." This was subject to certain payments to the other heirs.

May 9, 1774, William Antes bought of his brother (John) Henry Antes, 127½ acres of land in New Hanover township, being part of land

bequeathed to the said (John) Henry Antes by his father, Henry Antes, by will dated July 20, 1754. (See abstract of title, page 88.) May 31, 1777, William Antes sold 116 acres, 27 perches, part of the foregoing tract, to Abraham Markley.

In 1774, William Antes was taxed, in New Hanover township, £6 10 8, on 55 acres, 2 horses and 3 cows. In the list of taxables of the same township for 1779, he appears as the owner of 2 horses and 4 cows, and as the occupant of 60 acres owned by John Betz; and he was also taxed, this year, for the estate of his deceased father, Frederick Antes.

After William Antis's removal to Northumberland county, his name appears there in the tax lists. In the Mahoning township assessment for 1781, he stands taxed £6 10 11, on $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land, 2 horses and 2 cows; also, £0 17 6 for a lot in the new town of Northumberland. In 1781, in Bald Eagle township, William and Frederick Antes were assessed, on 300 acres, a tax of £71 0 0. In 1782, William Antes, gunsmith, of Mahoning township, was taxed £3 15 4 on 2 horses and 3 cows. In 1785, his State tax, on 1 horse and 2 cows, was £1 0 7.

HIS REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES.

William Antis rendered valuable services to the American cause during the Revolutionary war. March 12, 1777, he was appointed a Sub-lieutenant for the county of Philadelphia; October 21, 1777, he was appointed a Commissioner on Sequestered Estates and Treason; and May 29, 1778, an Agent to execute the Act of Attainder. At another time he was designated to administer the oath of allegiance and abjuration in Philadelphia county, and at another he was Commissioner for Tax and Levies. As Sub-lieutenant large sums of money passed through his hands, as is shown by the Statement of his Accounts, which was published shortly after the peace by the State of Pennsylvania. He received large sums for fines collected from the delinquents of the militia, and made disbursements for transporting troops, ammunition and stores, for repairing arms, and for giving "warning" to the militia to perform service in the field. It is stated, by family tradition, that he was an expert mechanic, and that in his own blacksmith shop, in New Hanover township, large quantities of damaged arms were repaired for the government.

In the Pennsylvania Archives, Volume VI, pages 453 and 456, are printed evidences of William Antis's services in the spring of 1778, viz:

The Supreme Executive Council sent a letter dated Lancaster, April 28th, 1778, to Col. Wm. Antis, requesting the earliest information of the number of arms in and belonging to the state, as well such as are in the hands of private people as those in possession of the Lieutenants of Counties, and in the public works. They requested immediate information of the number of muskets well fitted now in his possession, and how many more he can completely finish by the 20th of May.

His reply was:

Newhannover Township, May the 1st 1778.

Sir:

I have received your Letter of the 28th of April last past, wherein I am

requested to give immediate information to Council what number of muskets well fitted are now in my possession, and how many more I could compleatly finish by the 20th of May Instant. These are therefore to inform Council that I have twenty-five in my possession, and as touching what number I can finish against the twentieth of May, I do hereby inform Council that I have none that will be finished against that time, as I am not at present in a proper situation to follow that Business, neither have I heretofore followed that branch of Business for the publick, excepting in the way of Cleaning and repairing of Arms, and that about 500 stand of Arms was sent to me last fall for that purpose by General Potter, which when cleaned and repaired 361 of them were sent to the rear of the Army by order of his Excellency Gen^l Washington, and the remainder was sent to Militia Camp by order of Major Cummings, and that 161 muskets was sent last fall to Col. Frederick Antes for the purpose aforesaid, which hath since been taken by order of Col. Wm. Henry to Factory at Allentown, in order to be repaired there. The above is all the Information I Can give at present respecting of public arms that have Come within my district.

I am Sir, with respect,

Your Humble Servant,

WILLIAM ANTES.

[Directed]

To His Excellency Thomas Wharton, Jun^r,
President of the Executive Council,
Lancaster.

October 18, 1785, an order was made by the State in favor of William Antes for one pound specie for cleaning and repairing two Rifle Guns damaged on the way from Philadelphia to Sunbury, being presents from the Commonwealth to two Indian Chiefs.

DEATH AND BURIAL.

Gray sandstone slabs mark the graves of Colonel Antis and wife, in the old cemetery at Canandaigua. They bear these words:

In memory of
COLONEL WM. ANTIS,
who departed
this life
March 9th 1810
Aged 79 years.

In memory of
CHRISTENA consort
of COL. WM. ANTIS,
who departed
this life
Aug. 21st 1805
aged 68 years.

NOTES.

In the MS. family record of Henry Antes, his father, the birth and baptism of William Antis is entered thus:

21st November, 1731. William The sponsors
William DeWees and Christina his wife,
the child's Grand Parents; named him
William; born 18th November, 1731.

William Antis spelled the family name as here printed; this he did, more particularly, the later years of his life. His father, and brothers and sisters spelled it—Antes.

Extract from Jacob Markley's Bible family record:

A daughter born May 27th, A. D. 1736;
baptized July 18th, and named Christina;
her sponsors at the font were Benedict
Mintz and his wife. (Benid Mins u.
seine Hausfrau.)

In the Falkner Swamp Reformed Church book is recorded the birth of Carl Antes, son of William Antes, November 23, 1750, and his baptism on December 30, following. The sponsors were Carl Keyger and wife. As this child's name does not appear in the family record, it was probably that of another William Antes.

28 CATHARINE MARKLEY^a (Barbara Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born May 9, 1738.

Jacob Markley recorded the birth of this daughter in this simple entry in the family Bible: "A daughter born May 9, A. D. 1739; was named Catharine."

In the Augustus (Trappe) Lutheran church record of marriages is entered: July 3, 1757, Christian Brenneman and Catharina Merkelin, daughter of Jacob Merkel.

In Michael Billmeyer's Germantown Zeitung Abraham Markley, brother to Catharine Markley, in an advertisement dated December 1, 1792, desires his sister Catharine, or her heirs, to come forward and claim her share of the estate of her father, Jacob Markley. The advertisement states that her first husband's name was Martin Conrad, gives the name of her second husband as Christian Bonnamann, and that she is reported to be again a widow.

The advertisement is:

Bekantmachung.

DER Unterschriebene macht hiermit bekant dass seine Schwester Catharina Bonnamännin, wenn sie noch am Leben ist, sich bey ihm melden und ihr Erbtheil so ihr von ihres Vaters Hinterlassenschaft zukommt, abholen kan. Ihres ersten Manns Name war Martin Conrad, und sie soll jetzt eine Witwe seyn. Solte aber meine gedachte Schwester nicht mehr am Leben seyn, so ware es mir lieb wenn einige von ihren Hinterlassenen ihre Umstände melden wolten an mich,

ABRAHAM MERKEL,
Schipbach und Bergjoming Taunship,
Montgomery Caunty, den 1 Decem-
ber, 1792.

29. PHILIP DODDERER³ (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in Pennsylvania, about 1729; married Johanna Guisbert; died, in Fishing Creek township, Northumberland (now Columbia) county, Pennsylvania, in 1790. Johanna Guisbert, daughter of Andreas and Johanna Guisbert, was born in Hanover township, Philadelphia county; she survived her husband. Husband and wife are buried in the Dodderer burying ground, at Jonestown, Columbia county, Pennsylvania. Children:

143. Johanna Dodderer⁴, born September 26, 1756.
144. Elizabeth Dodderer⁴, born July 19, 1758.
145. Abraham Dodderer⁴, born October 25, 1760.
146. Susanna Dodderer⁴, born October 18, 1763.
147. Catharine Dodderer⁴.
148. Philip Dodderer⁴.
149. Anna Dodderer⁴, born December 7, 1770.
150. Sarah Dodderer⁴, born December 4, 1776.
151. Mary Dodderer⁴, born in 1778.
152. Magdalena Dodderer⁴.

February 28, 1755, Philip Dodderer bought of Thomas Boude, of the city of Philadelphia, bricklayer, and Sarah, his wife, seventy-nine acres of land, in Whitpain township, Philadelphia county. January 5, 1759, he advertised, in the German newspaper, printed by Christopher Saur at Germantown, his desire to sell his plantation of eighty-two acres, in Whitpain township, near Philip Bœhm's place, fifteen miles from Philadelphia. He lived on this plantation. It had on it two dwellings, a frame barn, and a blacksmith shop; fifty acres were cleared and ten acres were meadow; it fronted on the Skippack road, a noted highway in the Colonial and later times; and was well adapted for a mechanic or a storekeeper.

The advertisement in the Germantown newspaper was as follows:

Philip Dotterer in Wippen Taunschip, 15 Meilen von Philadelphia, nahe bey des Philip Bœhmen Platz wohnhafft, macht bekant, dass er seine Plantasche verkauffen will. Es sind 82 Acker Land; darauf sind 2 Wohnhæuser, eine fræm-scheuer und ein Schmidtschapp. 50 Acker sind klar, davon sind 8 Acker eingesæt; es sind ohngefehr 10 Acker Wiesen, und können noch mehr gemacht werden; das Meherste davon kan gewassert werden. Der gemeldte Platz stuesset an der Schipbacher Strasse, und ist bequem vor ein Handwercksmann oder Krämer. Der Kauffbrief ist gut. Wer Sinn dazu hat, kan sich bey ihm anmelden auf dem Platz, und ferner berichtet werden.

Who purchased this property we are not advised.

April 16, 1760, Philip Todderer, of Whitpain township, blacksmith, and Janigen, his wife, sold to John Martin, of Upper Dublin, yeoman, Philip Wentz, of Worcester, yeoman, Frederick Toll, of Plymouth, yeoman, and Jacob Cobler, of Upper Dublin, cordwainer,—trustees for Bœhm's Reformed congregation—for five shillings, 61½ perches, part of the purchase of 79 acres from Thomas Boude on 28th February, 1755. The signatures to the deed, as recorded in the Court House at Norristown, Pa., were.

PHILIP DODDERER

JANNEGAN DODDERER

Hon. Jones Detwiler, in his History of Boehm's Church, read at the Sesqui-Centennial of that church, September 11, 1890, evidently alludes to the foregoing purchase when he says, the congregation "now began to feel the need of a school. They, therefore, purchased a piece of ground adjoining their property in 1760, and built a school-house thereon." (Sesqui-Centennial of Boehm's Church, page 67.)

HE MOVES TO NEW JERSEY.

During the Revolutionary war he was a resident of Newton, Sussex county, New Jersey. In 1777 he was appointed Sheriff of the county. He was also, the same year, Captain of a company of militia in the Second regiment of that county.

HIS SERVICES IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

In the work entitled Jerseymen in the Revolutionary War, pages 389 and 390, appear these names:

Dodders, Philip, Captain, Second Militia regiment, Sussex Co.

Dudder, Jacob, Private, Sussex Co. Militia.

Dudderer, Abram, Private, Sussex Co. Militia.

In the History of Sussex and Warren Counties, New Jersey, the following information is given:

At a meeting of the county committee of Safety, held at the court house, in Newton, Sussex county, Philip Dodderer was a delegate from Newton township. (Page 51.) This meeting was held on the 10th and 11th of August, 1775.

Philip Dodders was a captain in the Second Regiment State militia from Sussex county in the Revolutionary war. (Page 68.)

An order was drawn by the Treasurer on the Collector of Sussex county, March 24, 1784, in which was included £4 12 8 for guard service performed by 23 men, July 1, 1777, commanded by Capt. Philip Dodderer, of Col Hankinson's second regiment militia of Sussex Co. (Page 75.)

HE RETURNS TO PENNSYLVANIA.

September 25, 1784, Philip Dodderer, blacksmith, and Yanaka, his wife, of Newton, Sussex county, New Jersey, conveyed by deed property to Lawrence Stright, of Hardwick. (Book of Deeds, pp. 223, et seq. Office of Recorder of Deeds of Sussex County.)

Between the date just given and 1789, Philip Dodderer returned to Pennsylvania, and settled on the frontier in that portion of Northumberland county now comprised in Columbia county, in Fishing Creek township. It is stated that he first located on the Muncy Manor, say about 1784 or 1785, and that the date of his coming to Fishing Creek is 1788. On this subject the following letters supply information:

Extract from letter of Captain John M. Buckalew, dated Fishing Creek, Pa., May 12, 1898:

Between 1783 and 1785, Philip Dodder and probably his son, Abraham Dodder, settled on Tract No. 1 of the Muncy Manor, that Mordecai McKinney and John Buckalew had been driven from in 1779 by the Indians; at least John Buckalew found them in possession on his return in 1785-'86. Abraham Dodder, son of Philip, . . . according to what his daughter informed me, moved . . . to the present township of Fishing Creek, Columbia county, in 1787. . . . About two years afterwards the father, Philip Dodder, with his wife, followed the son. Philip lived about two years after moving here, when he died and was buried at Fishing Creek P. O. (Jonestown). The old lady lived some time afterwards. They had one daughter, married. I have forgotten her husband's name, as they removed to the State of New York before I was born. I do not know of any other children of Philip Dodder but Abraham and his daughter.

Extract from letter of Mrs. Rebecca M. Markle, dated Fishing Creek, Pa., May 16, 1898:

Abram Dodder came to Fishing Creek from Muncy in 1786. . . . His father came two years later. The father, Philip Dodder, settled near the son. He died in 1790, and was buried, as also his wife, in the Dodderer cemetery, at Jonestown. His was the first death and burial in this section. . . . The gravestones are not marked. . . . I never heard the name of my great-grandmother. I know they had a daughter Lanah. She married a man by the name of William Pearson. They resided in Muncy. That is all I know of them.

HIS ESTATE.

He made no will. Upon his death, the widow having renounced her right to administer, Abraham Dodderer was appointed administrator. In the records of Northumberland county, at Sunbury, Pa., in Deed Book I, page 147, we find this entry:

Be it remembered, That on the ninth day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1795, letters of administration in due and common form of law were granted to Abraham Dodderer, John Smith and Frederick Derr, of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Philip Dodderer, deceased (Janogin Dotterin, the widow and relict of the said decedent, to whom administration of right belonged, did renounce such her right and thereof would not accept), the said Abraham Dodderer, John Smith and Frederick Derr having given security for the due administration. Witnesses, Henry Shoemaker, Jr., and Daniel Henry.

Eight years later, a petition for an inquest to make partition of the real estate of Philip Dodderer, deceased, was made to the Orphans' Court. The original petition, on file in the Recorder's office of Northumberland county, was as follows:

To the Honorable the Judges of the Orphans' Court of the County of Northumberland, at an Orphans' Court holden at Sunbury for the said County June 8th, 1803.

The petition of Abraham Dudder, eldest son and heir of Philip Dudder, late of Fishing Creek Township, in said County, yeoman, deceased, humbly sheweth that your petitioner's said father died intestate, leaving a widow, to wit, Jane Dudder and ten children, to wit, your petitioner, and Hannah the wife of Peter Cannon, Elizabeth the wife of John Low, Susan the wife of Henry Shoemaker, Catharine the wife of John Smith, Philip, Anna the wife of Matthew McHenry, Sarah the wife of John Merlin, Mary the wife of Joseph Coleman, and Magdalena yet unmarried, and the said intestate died seized in his demesne as of fee of and in three several parcels of

tracts of land, to wit, whereon your petitioner lives situate in Fishing Creek Township on the east branch of Fishing Creek containing about three hundred acres more or less with the appurtenances, one other tract situate on the said branch of Fishing Creek and adjoining the above mentioned tract containing one hundred and sixty acres or thereabouts, and the other tract situate adjoining the two above mentioned tracts and containing about two hundred acres with the appurtenances. Your petitioner therefore humbly prays your honors to award an inquest to make partition of the said premises to and among the children and representatives of the said intestate as by the laws of this Commonwealth is directed, if such partition can be done without prejudice to or spoiling the whole, but if such partition cannot be made thereof as aforesaid then to value and appraise the same and make report of their proceedings herein according to law.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

ABRAHAM DUDDER.

Henry Vanderslice, Esq., High Sheriff of the county of Northumberland, returned to the Court a report of the Inquisition held by him, in the aforesaid case, whereupon the Court awarded the lands in the said Inquest named to Abraham Dudder, the eldest son of the said Philip Dudder, deceased, and the Court ordered Abraham Dudder to enter into recognizance for the payment of the several shares and purports of the widow and representatives as follows:

The amount of the valuation of six hundred and sixty-five acres of land mentioned in the petition and inquisition @ six shillings per acre, making			£199 10 0
Court charges	£13 10 0		
The widow's share	62 0 0	75 10 0	
			£124 0 0

Extract from letter of Rev. S. A. Creveling, dated Rohrsburg, Pa., August 8, 1898:

Captain Buckalew says that at the time of Philip Dodderer's death (1790) there was no regular preaching in the neighborhood; the Presbyterians coming occasionally from the West Branch of the Susquehanna to hold services in dwellings. The Dodderer house was one of the preaching places at that time, or soon after. He thinks, as the neighborhood was still almost a wilderness, the burial took place without the services of a minister.

Philip Dodderer received from his father, under the will dated January 20, 1758, £100. (See page 52.)

ANDREW GUISBERT AND FAMILY.

Andres Guisbert bought. March 28, 1727, of Jacob Fisher, 150 acres of land in New Hanover township, part of the Great Tract of 22,377 acres. February 18, 1746, he sold the same to Mathes Hollobaugh. Upon the death of Andrew Guisbert, "late of Limerick township," letters of administration were granted, January 24, 1757, to his widow, Johanna Guisbert, the sureties on the bond being Bernd Dodderer and Philip Dodderer, and the witness to the signature Berne Dudderer and John Campbell. The children of Andrew and Johanna Guisbert were: Guisbert Guisbert; Paittin Guisbert, intermarried with Abraham Paul; Johanna Guisbert, intermarried with Philip Totterer; Catharine Guisbert, Susanna

Guisbert, and Hannah Guisbert. The Guisbert family seems to be of Holland origin.

NOTES.

In the Falkner Swamp Reformed Church record is this:

1756, September 26, was born, and 1756, November 21, was baptized, Johanna, daughter of Philipp Dotterer. Sponsor, Johanna Gisbertin.

In the Germantown German Reformed Church record are the following entries:

CHILD.	PARENTS.	DATES.	SPONSORS.
Elizabeth Dotter	Phillip Dotter and Janika	Born July 19, 1758. Baptized August 20, 1758	Elizabeth Dotter
Abraham Dotterer	Philip and Jeneka Dotterer	Born October 25, 1760 Baptized Nov. 16, 1760	Abraham Paul, and Beeltje, his wife
Susanna Dotterer	Philip and Janeke Dotterer	Born October 18, 1763 Baptized June 29, 1764	Henry Bæhr and Verena, his wife

Philip Dodderer was a delegate from Newton to the Sussex County Committee of Safety, held in the Court House on the 10th and 11th of August, 1775.—Benjamin B. Edsall's Centennial Address, at the celebration of the Centenary of Sussex County, 1853.

I find, in looking over the History of Sussex and Warren Counties, the name of Philip Dodders, who was a Captain of 2d Regiment, raised about 1780, in the Revolutionary War.—Samuel Johnson, Newton, N. J., August 25, 1898.

30. ANNA DODDERER² (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania; married, at New Goshenhoppen, by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of the Reformed church, early in 1747, George Nyce; died before 1758. George Nyce, son of John and Mary Nice, of Frederick township, was born in 1725; died December 5, 1789. They are buried at Bertolet's Burying Ground, in Frederick township. Children:

153. John Nyce⁴, born February 20, 1750.

154. Joseph Nyce⁴, born April 27, 1752.

155. Anna Maria Nyce⁴, born June 6, 1755.

George Nyce married (second) Elizabeth Fuhrman. Children:

George Nyce, born February 15, 1760; married (first) May 19, 1785, Elizabeth Christman (second), Mary Hollowbush, and (third) Catharine Geyer; died December 4, 1838.

Elizabeth Nyce, born August 16, 1762; married Henry Keely; died February 5, 1852.

Margaret Nyce, born July 19, 1764; married, March 30, 1785, John Schlonecker; died September 10, 1842.

Mary Nyce, born September 14, 1766; married Philip Dotterer (82); died July 16, 1850.

Jacob Nyce, born November 30, 1768; married Ally Umstead; died December 25, 1845.

Ann Nyce, born January 9, 1771; married, April 22, 1788, Abraham Carpenter (originally Zimmerman); died July 6, 1842.

Elizabeth (Fuhrman) Nyce died March 6, 1821, aged 88.

George Nyce succeeded his father upon the Nyce homestead in Frederick township, but parted with the western portion of the land to his brother, Zacharia Nyce. He was a tanner and farmer. In September, 1758, he was appointed overseer of highways, and March 7, 1768, constable of Frederick township. In the tax list for 1776, he is assessed on 260 acres, 3 horses, 6 cows, and 1 negro.

The personal estate of George Nyce was inventoried, upon his death, at £6567 6 2, Pennsylvania money. He owned a number of negroes, who were appraised at £110 0 0. He died intestate.

REFERENCES.

The Nyses of Frederick. See The Perkiomen Region, Volume One, pages 189-191.

See Geo. S. Nyce's MS. Record of the Nyce Family (three volumes), in the archives of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1300 Locust street, Philadelphia.

Will of Bernhard Dodderer (5), page 52.

31. JACOB DODDERER³, (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, Pennsylvania, September 30, 1733; married, in New Jersey, February 17, 1763, Helena (sometimes Lydia) Dildine; died February 3, 1813. Helena Dildene was born November 30, 1730; died August 25, 1811. Children:

156. Jacob Dodderer⁴, born January 11, 1765.

157. Catharine Dodderer⁴, died, before 1809, at the age of 18.

158. Anna Dodderer⁴.

159. Henry Dodderer⁴, born January 5, 1771 (?)

160. Abraham Dodderer⁴, born February 16, 1771.

By deed dated April 29, 1763, Jacob Dodderer became owner of 1300 acres of land in Sussex county, New Jersey. December 15, 1766, Jacob Dodderer and wife Lydia sold 301 acres, part of the foregoing purchase, to Philip, Peter, John and Samuel Simonson, for £180, Proclamation money. ("Proclamation money was for the use of paying for Wolves and Painters Heads," etc.)

At a town meeting held March 8, 1774, Jacob Dodderer was chosen one of the surveyors of highways for Hardwick township, Sussex county.

1779, Jacob Doderer was a freeholder of Hardwick township.

Hardwick township was in Sussex county until 1820; since that date it is in Warren county.

Jacob Dodderer made his will April 3, 1809. It was probated February 22, 1813.

Samuel Johnson, of the office of the Surrogate of Sussex county, New

Jersey, under date Newton, N. J., August 25, 1898, writes regarding Jacob Dodderer's will:

It mentions his wife Lydia Dodderer; his daughter Ann Lane; Elizabeth Dodderer, daughter of a deceased son, Jacob Dodderer; Abraham Dodderer, a son; a deceased son, Henry Dodderer; Peter Dodderer, a son of Henry Dodderer. Abraham Dodderer and Aaron Hazen were the executors. . . . They lived in Hardwick township.

In the work, "Jerseymen in the Revolutionary War," pages 389 and 590, appears this name:

Dudder, Jacob, Private, Sussex County Militia.

Lydia (sometimes Helena) Dildine was, before her marriage to Jacob Dodderer, the wife of Joseph Collins, and had a daughter, Elizabeth Collins, who became the wife of William Savacool. Joseph Collins made a will April 16, 1761, in which he leaves one-half his estate to his wife; the other half to his daughter Elizabeth.

The Dildine family is of Huguenot origin.

Jacob Dodderer had a German Bible, which was sold, after his death, to Jacob Savacool.

Extract from letter of Miss Meckie Dodder, dated Iowa City, Ia., September 14, 1897:

I wish you could look over the old papers my cousin, Mrs. Lanterman, has. She lives in Hackettstown, N. J. . . . The papers belonged to my great-grandfather, Jacob Dodderer, and were kept in an old box, said to have been brought from the "old country." There are pictures of old houses and windmills on it, painted in oil, but very much faded. If it came from the old country, and belonged on the Dodderer side, it must have belonged to George Philip Dodderer. . . . In this box he (Jacob Dodderer) always kept his private papers. During the Revolutionary war, while he was in the service, his family placed their money in this box, and buried it. This was when news came that the Tories were marching towards their home.

NOTES.

A Genealogical Record of the Descendants of Nathan Armstrong, by William Clinton Armstrong, says (page 146): The Dildine family is of Huguenot descent. The immigrant ancestor lived on the Hardwick Patent. He left two daughters and a son. One of his daughters married a Mr. Dodder.

Some genealogists regard the Dildine and Tilden family names as originally identical.

See will of Bernhard Dodderer, father of Jacob Dodderer, on page 52.

32. BERNHARD DOTTERER* (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township, March 31, 1736; married, January 6, 1761, Barbara Wartman; died November 12, 1810. Barbara Wartman, daughter of Adam and Mary Elizabeth Wartman, born July 15, 1741; died August 6, 1823. They are buried in Falkner Swamp Reformed churchyard. Children:

161. Henry Dotterer⁴, born July 24, 1762.
162. John Dotterer⁴, born July 12, 1764.
163. Abraham Dotterer⁴, born January 3, 1767.
164. Elizabeth Dotterer⁴, born June 28, 1769.
165. Bernhard Dotterer⁴, born September 24, 1771.
166. Catharine Dotterer⁴, born December 13, 1773.
167. Christina Dotterer⁴, born May 10, 1776.
168. Adam Dotterer⁴, born April 21, 1778.
169. Maria Barbara Dotterer⁴, born June 29, 1781.
170. Maria Dotterer⁴, born January 29, 1784.

Bernhard Dotterer was a farmer in New Hanover township, on the Great (originally named the Skippack) road. His father, Bernhard Dodderer, by will (page 53-55) devised to him one-half of his one hundred and twenty-four acre plantation, that is to say, sixty-two acres of land, and fifty acres of woodland. He acquired other real estate, as is shown by the tax lists, viz:

In 1769, the Proprietary tax of Bernard Dodderow, of Frankford and New Hanover township, was £13 14 4, on 150 acres of land, 3 horses, 4 horned cattle. In 1774 the Provincial tax of Barnabas Dotterer, of Frankford and New Hanover township, was £13 0 8, on 150 acres, 3 horses and 4 cows. In 1779, Bernhart Dotterer appears in the assessment of New Hanover township, made by George Ditrich Bucher, as farmer, and owner of 150 acres, 1 servant, 2 horses, 4 cows, upon which the tax was £17 15 4. In 1779, also, Bernard Dotterer, of Frankfort and New Hanover township, was assessed £18 0 0 for Effective Supply tax, on which was paid five shillings in the Pound, or £4 10 0. In 1779, in addition, he was charged £4 10 0 for State tax. In 1780, a tax for Effective Supply was laid at the rate of £2 5 0 per £100. Bernhart Doderer was taxed £78 15 0 on a valuation of £3500 0 0. In 1781, Bernhart Dotter, farmer, of New Hanover township, was taxed for Effective Supplies, £8 6 6, on a valuation of £653 0 0. In 1781, in another assessment, he appears as owner of 175 acres, 3 horses, 4 cows and 1 negro. In 1782, Bernhard Dotterer was taxed, in New Hanover township, for Effective Supply, £3 13 0, on a valuation of £582 0 0. In 1783, his taxable property subject to Federal tax increased to 175 acres, 4 horses, 5 horned cattle, 9 sheep and 1 negro. The duplicate assessment lists from 1784 on are in the court house of Montgomery county, at Norristown, and are (1902) accessible.

HIS CHURCH CONNECTION.

Bernhard Dotterer was a member of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation all his adult life. At Easter, 1751, then fifteen years of age, he was confirmed, and admitted to the Communion of the Lord's Supper. His children were baptized by the pastors of this church. He was elder-delegate to the Reformed Cœtus held in Lancaster, in June, 1787.

HIS EARLY OPPOSITION TO GREAT BRITAIN'S OPPRESSIONS.

He was devoted to the cause of independence. As early as May 15, 1775, a contribution for the poor of Boston was made by the citizens of Falkner Swamp. Some contributed money; others gave of the products of the farm. Among the latter was Bernhard Dotterer. In the original

subscription list, which is still in existence, is recorded his donation, which was three bushels of wheat:

Bernhard Dotter 3 bushel Waytzen.

Of arms-bearing age, we do not find his name among the names of delinquents of the New Hanover militia companies of Captain Philip Hahn and Captain John Richards.

In a pay roll in the account book of Captain Benjamin Markley, of New Hanover township, we find recorded this payment:

Oct. 15, 1781, paid to Bernhard Dotrer,
Black (smith?) £0 3 9

SETTLEMENT OF HIS ESTATE.

Bernhard Dotterer having made no will, Abraham Dotterer, his son, took out letters of administration upon his estate. The administrator's account was passed April 7, 1815, and is filed in the Montgomery county court house, at Norristown, Pa.

BURIAL OF HUSBAND AND WIFE.

The graves of Bernhard Dotterer and Barbara Wartman, his wife, are close to the western side of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, and are marked by neatly-engraved marble tombstones, bearing these inscriptions:

Hier
ruhen die Gebeine
BERNHARD DOTTERER.
Er war gebohren 1736 den 31
sten Mertz. Er lebte 49 Jahre
und 10 Monath in der Ehe mit
Barbara eine geborne Wartman
hinterliess 8 Kinder 3 Soehne und
5 Töchter. Er starb den 12ten No-
vember 1810. Sein alter war
74 Jahre 5 Monat und 12 Tage.

Sein Leichen Text
Jacobi am 1 Capitel vers 12
Selig ist der Mann, der die
Anfechtung erduldet, denn
nachdem er bewahret ist, wird
er die Krone des Lebens empfangen.
welche Gott verheilten hat denen,
die ihn lieb haben.

Hier
ruhen in Gott
die Gebeiner der gewesenen
BARBARA DOTTERER
Gattin des Bernhart Dot-
terer. Sie wurde gebohren
den 15ten July 1741,
verehlichte sich auf den 6
ten January 1761 zeugte
10 Kinder næmlich 5 Soeh-
ne und 5 Töchter und starb
auf den 6ten August 1823,
nachdem sie ihr Alter auf
82 Jahre und 21 Tage
gebracht hatte.

THE WARTMAN FAMILY.

Hans Adam Warthman arrived at Philadelphia in the ship Samuel, and signed the declaration August 17, 1731. Mary Elizabeth Wartman, his wife, and Abraham Wartman, his son, under sixteen, came on the same vessel. The children of Adam and Maria Elizabeth Wartman were:

Abraham Wartman, born, in Europe, about 1725.

Margaret Elizabeth Wartman, born about 1730; married, April 10, 1749, Michael Boyer.

Catharine Wartman, born April 26, 1733; married, November 26, 1751, Michael Fedele.

Christina Wartman, born about 1735; married, December 18, 1753, Nicholas Fröhlich.

Magdalena Wartman, born about 1738; married Christian Sackreiter.

Mary Barbara Wartman, born July 15, 1741.

Matthias Wartman, born August 13, 1744; married Catharine Geier.

John Adam Wartman, born May 16, 1746; married (first) Barbara Erhard and (second) Maria Barbara Markley.

Adam Wartman, the immigrant, died early in 1776. His widow was buried July 7, 1787. They were Lutheran.

NOTES.

In a number of instances Bernhard Dotterer, our subject, wrote his name Berne Dotterer. His father usually wrote his given name Bernd.

Bernhard Dotterer and wife Barbara were sponsors for Elizabeth Frohlig, born November 18, 1763, and christened, by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church, June 11, 1764; daughter of Nicholas Fröhlig and Christina Wartman, his wife.

Isaac Dilbeck, of New Hanover township, in his will dated February 21, 1760, and probated April 15, 1760, named as sole executor "my beloved friend Barnard Dotterer. This will was signed in the presence of Philip Hahn and Elizabeth Dotterer.

Adam Warthman in his will dated October 29, 1770, and probated March 26, 1776, named as his executors Mary Elizabeth Warthman (his wife) and Bernhard Dotorow. He bequeathed to his daughter Mary Barbara, wife of Bernhard Dotorow, £40 lawful money.

In 1797 and 1798 Bernhart Dotterer was one of the overseers of the highways of New Hanover township.

February 20, 1794, Bernhard Dotterer and wife Barbara were sponsors for Bernhard Fuchs, born January 10, 1794, son of Matthias Fuchs (Fox) and Catharine Dotterer, his wife, baptized by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

January 1, 1772, Bernhard Dotterer was sponsor for John George Geiger, son of Valentine and Margaretha Geiger, born October 8, 1771, christened by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

33. HENRY DOTTERER¹ (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township, May 28, 1739; confirmed at Pfingst (Whitsuntide), 1756, by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed congregation, a member of the Reformed Church; married, September 10, 1766, Dorothea Weidner; died October 14, 1798. Dorothea Weidner, born May 29, 1745; probably the daughter Dorothea of Adam Weidner

who was christened by the pastor of the New Hanover Lutheran church, May 19, 1766, "aged 19 years"; died November 14, 1821. They are buried in the Reformed and Lutheran Union churchyard, at Amityville, formerly Newstoreville, Berks county, Pennsylvania. Child:

171. Jacob Totheroh⁴, born April 4, 1767.

Henry Dotterer received by the will of his father (page 52) a legacy of One hundred Pounds, lawful money.

In 1871, Henry Todoro, cordwainer, appears in the Amity township, Berks county, assessment as owner of 30 acres, 2 horses, 2 cows, taxed £1 15 0. In 1784, Henry Todorough, cordwainer, same township, is reported owner of 50 acres, 1 horse and 2 cows, and as having 3 persons in his family.

Henry Dotterer made his will September 2, 1798, which was proven November 14, 1798. His wife Thorethea Dotterer and his nephew John Nise were named as joint executors. The will was executed in the presence of Jacob Rhoads and Henry Fisher. He left all his real and personal estate to his wife while she remained his widow. After his wife's death it was to descend to his son Jacob. If the widow married she was to receive only the interest of £300, to be paid to her yearly; after her death the £300 was to be divided amongst the testator's grandchildren, share and share alike.

The stones which mark the graves of Henry and Dorothea Dotterer bear these words:

Hier
ruhet der Leib
des Verstorbenen
HENRICH DODERO
Er wurde gebohren im Jahr
1739 den 28th May und
Trat in den Stand der Ehe
den 10th September 1766 mit
Dorothea eine geborne Weid-
nerin in dieser Ehe leben Sie
32 Jahr und zeugten 1 Sohn
Nachdem starb Er den 14th
October 1798 Seines alters
59 Jahr, 4 Monath 17 Tag.

In
Memory of
DOROTHY DODEREN
Who was born the 29th of May
1745, and departed this life
the 14th of November 1821
Aged 76 Years 6 Months
and 15 days.

NOTES.

In the Falkner Swamp church record is this: 1756, Pfingst, Henrich Dotterer was confirmed, in his 17th year.

May 20, 1781, Henry Dotter and wife Dorothea were sponsors for Henry Krebs, born March 4, 1787, son of Adam and Catharine Krebs, baptized by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

34. ELIZABETH DOTTERER¹ (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township; baptized, by Rev. Peter Henry Dorsius, pastor of Goshenhoppen Reformed church, September 4, 1742—sponsors, her mother; confirmed, by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, at Whit-suntide, 1756, in her 15th year.

In the will of her father, made January 20, 1758 (page 52), Elizabeth Dotterer is given £100, lawful money, and a woman's saddle.

August 20, 1758, Elizabeth Dotter was sponsor for Elizabeth Dodderer, born July 19, 1758, daughter of Philip and Johanna Dodderer, baptized by the pastor of the German Reformed church of Germantown, Pa.

May 25, 1760, Elizabeth Dotterer (Reformed Church) and Michael Krebs were sponsors for Elizabeth Frag, born April 10, 1760, daughter of Jacob and Christina Frag, baptized by the pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

35. ISAAC DOTTERER³ (Bernhard Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born, in New Hanover township, about January 15, 1745. He married and had seven daughters. The wife's name we do not know. Children:

- 172. Anna Dotterer⁴.
- 173. Lydia Dotterer⁴.
- 174. Margaret Dotterer⁴.
- 175. Jemima Dotterer⁴.
- 176. Gidie Dotterer⁴.
- 177. Hannah Dotterer⁴.
- 178. Sarah Dotterer⁴.

The daughter Margaret married Benjamin Hunt. Child:

Lydia Hunt, married Dewees Cochran. Child:

Lewis Cochran, married Ella Shaw. Child:

Jane Cochran, married ——— Ripley.

The daughter Sarah, married William Cassidy.

One daughter, married Nathan Drake.

One daughter, married ——— Lewis.

Benjamin Hunt, Nathan Drake and ——— Lewis, were all of Newton, Sussex county.

Isaac Dotterer was given one-half of his father's real estate and farming utensils, horses, and other agricultural requisites, by the will of the latter, dated January 20, 1758, page 52-53. He was also designated sole executor, but as the testator's death occurred during Isaac's minority, he could not act as such.

Upon reaching his majority, Isaac Dotterer sold the real estate devised to him. In a German newspaper entitled "Wahre und Wahrscheinliche Begebenheiten, auf ungestempelten Papier, weil kein gestempelt zu haben ist," printed in Philadelphia, dated Monday, May 5, 1766, is Isaac Dotterer's advertisement offering it for sale, which was as follows:



Es soll Dienstags den nächsten 20 May auf öffentlicher Vendue verkauft werden, folgende Stuecker Land in Neu-Hanover Taunschip in Philadelphia Caunt, das Erstere ist die Hälfte von des verstorbenen Bernhard Dotterers Platz ungefähr 62 Acker Land. Das Andere liegt ohngefahr eine Meile von vorigen, und enthält 50 Acker Land. Beyde Stuecker haben free Diete. Die Vendue soll auf erst beschriebenen Platz gehalten werden, und vermuthlich Vormittags um 10 Uhr anfangen; also gebuehrend aufgewartet und billiger Credit soll gegeben werden von mir.

ISAAC DOTTERER.

36. ANNA ELIZABETH ZIMMERMAN^s (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer^s, George Philip Dodderer¹). Born about 1736; confirmed by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of the Goshenhoppen Reformed charge, before 1758; married John Yundt (Johannes Junt). Children:

- 179. Michael Yundt⁴, born about 1756; confirmed, at New Goshenhoppen Lutheran church in 1772, aged 15½.
- 180. Catharina Yundt⁴, born about 1758; confirmed, at New Goshenhoppen Lutheran church in 1772, aged 13½.
- 181. Henry Yundt⁴, born September 21, 1759.
- 182. George Yundt⁴, born December 24, 1761.
- 183. Susanna Yundt⁴, born July 16, 1764.
- 184. Maria Yundt⁴.
- 185. Anna Elizabeth Yundt⁴, born June 25, 1769.
- 186. Salome Yundt⁴, born March 27, 1771.

John Yundt was a member of the Lutheran Church, and doubtless his wife, confirmed a member of the Reformed Church, also connected herself with her husband's Church. Some of their children were baptized at New Goshenhoppen Lutheran church, and others of them at Jordan Lutheran church, Lehigh county; and their confirmations were also so divided. They attended, part of this time, at least, the church located at the present village of Dillingersville, Lehigh county. In 1765 Johannes Junt subscribed 7s. 6d. for the support of the pastor of the last named congregation; and in 1766 and 1767 his name appears in the list of communicants.

In 1781, John Yund's name appears in the list of taxables of Upper Milford township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, as owner of 333 acres of land, 16 acres cleared, 5 horses, 4 cows, 7 sheep. The same year, for Effective Supply tax, John Yond's estate in Upper Hanover township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery) county, was valued £150 and assessed £3 0 0.

December 4. 1784, John Yundt bought of the estate of Michael Zimmerman, late of North Carolina, and George Zimmerman, of Turkey

hundred, Maryland, 255 acres of land, in Lehigh county, for £616, August 16, 1787, John Yund and Elizabeth, his wife, sold this property to John Röder for £1423.

Correspondence relating to the Younts of North Carolina:

BETHANY ORPHANS' HOME,
WOMELSDORF, PA., December 11th, 1902.

Mr. Henry S. Dotterer, Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your recent communication and with the help of the statement which you enclose I may be able to help you to the information which you desire, or at least partly so.

When I was collecting data about our family some years ago I was in correspondence with people in many parts of our country. One branch of the Yundt family is in North Carolina. My correspondent there was Dr. D. McD. Yount. (The name is spelled differently by different branches of the family.)

From his statement the first Yundt who settled in North Carolina was John Yundt, who came from Lancaster Co., Pa., and he was married in Lancaster Co. to Elizabeth Zimmerman. Is this the Anna Elizabeth Zimmerman of whom you write? I think it is when I compare the list of children which you sent and the list which he gives.

Children of John Yundt and Elizabeth Zimmerman.—Your list: Michael, Catherine, Henry, George, Susanna, Maria, Anna Elizabeth, Salome. List of Dr. Yundt: Henry, Jacob, John, George, Andrew, Molly, Catherine, Mary, Susanna, Elizabeth, Sally. This list is evidently not arranged in chronological order. All boys first, then all girls.

The lists do not correspond, yet there are six or seven names in both lists, taking Maria to tally either with Mary or Molly in the second list.

Now I am further informed that the ancestors of this John Yundt came from Alsace. This is particularly of interest to me. There is a tradition that my ancestors came from the same place. I have not yet been able to trace any family connection to this particular John Yundt, but I wonder if this John may not have been a brother of my ancestor Jacob. What makes this particularly plausible is the fact that my ancestor Jacob Yundt had a number of children and among them two sons, Abraham and Peter, of whose family history I know nothing, and my correspondent in N. C. tells me that when John Yundt came to that state two nephews accompanied him by the names of Abraham and Peter.

Hoping that the above information may be of value to you, I am,

Yours very truly, THOS. M. YUNDT.

CONOVER, N. C., December 25, 1902.

Mr. Henry S. Dotterer, 1605 N. 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:—Having regained my health I now proceed to comply with my promises. John Yount migrated from Pennsylvania to Lincoln county, N. C., about the year 1788. He married Elizabeth Zimmerman before leaving Pennsylvania. He came to America from Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, according to tradition, at the age of 9 years, died in 1790, had five sons and five daughters. Names of daughters Sarah, Elizabeth, Sallie, Mollie and Catherine. Mollie married, but could not find out to whom; Sallie married Christian Scheffer. In all probability this John Yount was a son of George Yount, who was born in 1719 and died in 1770, had five sons and five daughters. Andrew Yount, grandson, born 1760 and died 1841, the father of Henry Yount, born in 1798, who was the father of Horace L. Yount, LL. D., of Reading, Pa., to whom I refer you for further information. Enclosed find will of John Yount, deceased, the first settler of the Younts in North Carolina, which please

return when you get through with it. If you should perchance meet up with Rev. Thomas M. Yundt, tell him I have not forgotten my promise to him. Rev. Alonzo Yount has promised to assist me in compiling the work. Would be pleased to hear from you.

Yours truly, D. McD. YOUNT.

Extracts from letters of D. McD. Yount, written to Mr. H. S. Dotterer and received by Mrs. Dotterer, after her husband's death:

CONOVER, N. C., January 20, 1903.

¶You expressed a desire to see the lands. Come down and I will take great pleasure in showing the farms. There are, and were then, a good many Germans in this county; will give you a few of their names: Frederick Hoke, William Hunsucker, Carpenter, Smith, Wineburger, Little, Sigman, and Whitenburg, and also Fulbright. These are the early settlers of this county, then Lincoln Co., now (by division) Catawba Co.

CONOVER, N. C., February 8, 1903.

¶I sent you by mail a partial history of the Younts of this country. John Yount, my great-grandfather, married Elizabeth Zimmerman. My grandfather, George Yount, married a Pope; my father married Elizabeth Little, and I married Eugenia Desdemona Roserman, and I have two daughters married: Anna Elizabeth, married Dr. D. M. Moser, and Alice Catherine, married Rev. G. E. Long, a Lutheran minister. I have a son, a physician, now doing a good practice in an adjoining county, Iredell Co., N. C.

COPY OF JOHN YOUNT'S WILL.

In the name of God. Amen. I John Yount of Lincoln county & State of North Carolina, being very sick tho in perfect mind and memory. Blessed be God therefore. Do this twenty-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety make and publish this my last Will & Testam^t in manner and form following, that is to say Imprimies I commend my soul to the hands of God almighty who gave it me and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named in the hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection through the merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ. And for that worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me I dispose of in the following manner (to wit) That all my Just debts be first paid. Then I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Elisabeth the House that I now live in and my Stove and her Bed and Spinning wheel and the best Chest and one Cow the choice of all the Cows and fifty pound hard money.

Item I give & bequeath unto my three sons Henry Yount George Yount and Andrew Yount five hundred & seventy two Acres of Land situate lying and being in the County of Lincoln and State of North Carolina upon the waters of Muls Creek to be divided equally among the three (to wit) and the Cross cut saw likewise.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Henry Yount one hundred and ninety acres of Land the Tract that he now lives on.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son George Yount one hundred and ninety Acres of land the place that I now live on and the Sorrel mare and the young dark bay Horse and one Plow and Gears for two Horsee and he is to maintain my wife Elisabeth as long as she lives.

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved son Andrew Yount one hundred & ninety Acres of Land lying on the south side of Muls Creek and twelve Pounds in Money.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Grand-son John Yount five shillings Sterling.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Susannah Yount (to wit) one Spinning Wheel one Bed and one Cow.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elisabeth Yount (to wit) one Spinning Wheel one Bed & one Cow and one Chest.

Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Sally Yount (to wit) one Spinning Wheel one Bed one Cow & one Chest.

Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved son John Yount twelve pounds in Money.

Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Children (to wit) one hundred & fifty pounds to Jacob John Molly Catharina Mary Susannah Elisabeth & Sally to be equally divided between the eight.

Item The remainder of my Estate to be equally divided between my wife Elisabeth and all my Children.

And I do make & constitute & appoint the aforesaid Henry Yount & George Yount my beloved Sons to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament disallowing and disannulling and making void all other Will & Wills by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming this my last Will & Testament in witness whereof I the said John Yount have hereunto set my hand & seal this day & year above written.

his
JOHN X YOUNT [L. S.]
mark

Signed sealed and delivered by the Testator as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who are present at the Signing Sealing &c. thereof.

EPHRAIM PERKINS
JACOB FULBRIGHT
WM. DEAL

Certified to be a true Copy from the Original Jan^y 10th 1805.

By J. McEWEN, D. Ck.

37. MICHAEL ZIMMERMAN³ (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer³, George Philip Dodderer¹). Baptized, by Rev. John Peter Miller, at New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, May 20, 1733, and given the name Johann Michael—sponsors, Susanna Zimmerman and Michael Rether; married

Children:

187. Michael Zimmerman⁴.

188. Catharine Zimmerman⁴, married Daniel Smith.

Lieut. P. W. Flores, of Dillingersville, Pa., July 28, 1902, states that Michael Zimmerman, the father of our subject, took up by warrant several tracts of land, 1734–1739, containing 333 acres, situate on the Hosensack, a branch of Perkiomen creek, of which 126 acres lay in what is now Montgomery county. On May 6, 1741, a patent was granted for the same to Michael Zimmerman and George Zimmerman, his sons. Michael Zimmerman, Jr., moved later to the State of North Carolina, where he died and left a son, Michael Zimmerman, and a daughter, Catharine Zimmerman, married to a Daniel Smith.

Letters of administration upon the estate of Michael Zimmerman, late of North Carolina, were granted, January 27, 1762, to Jacob Körr, his stepfather, whose surety was Lewis Klotz, Esquire, of Northampton county. In the bond are these words: "Jacob Knorr, of Whitpain township, yeoman, who intermarried with Anna Elizabeth Zimmerman, mother

of Michael Zimmerman, late of North Carolina, deceased." The inventory was as follows:

An Inventory of the Real Estate of Michael Zimmerman, Junier, Late of North Carolina, Deceased, wick is one half part of Three hundred & Thirty three acres of Land setuate in Upper Milford township and County of Northampton wick was bequeteth to him by Will of his Late father Michael Zimmerman of Upper Milford township and County aforesaid Deceased vtz:

To one Hundred and Sixty Six acars and an half an acars of Land velued at £350 0 0
to an Dept Due by John Yund 8 0 0

Appraised this Sixth Day of January in the year one Thousand Seven Hundred and sixty two by us whos names are here under written. JOHN MOCK,
ABRAHAM MOYER.

In the office of the Register of Wills of Northampton county, Pa., March 28, 1775, is given as the date of settlement of the estate.

Decemb er 4, 784, Michael Zimmerman, 3rd, Daniel Smith and Catharine, his wife, only daughter of Michael Zimmerman, 2d, all of Lincoln county, North Carolina, and George Zimmerman, and Catharine, his wife, of Turkey hundred, Maryland, conveyed by deed 255 acres, part of 333 acres, to John Yund for £616.

Between 1745 and 1758, Michael Zimmerman was confirmed by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of the Goshenhoppen Reformed Charge.

38. VERONICA ZIMMERMAN³ (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Baptized, by Rev. John Henry Goetschy, at New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, May 9, 1736, and named Fronegg (Veronica)—sponsors, Georg Philip Doderer et uxor.

Between 1745 and 1758, Veronica Zimmerman was confirmed by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of Goshenhoppen Reformed Charge.

October 26, 1759, Verone Zimmermännin and Johann Heinrich Vetter were sponsors for Johann Heinrich Junt, son of Johannes and Anna Elisabetha Junt, born September 21, 1759, and baptized by the pastor of the Lutheran church located now in Dillingersville, Lehigh county, Pa.

39. GEORGE ZIMMERMAN³) Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Baptized, by Rev. John Henry Goetschy, of New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, September 24, 1740, and named Georg—sponsor, Georg Zimmerman; married Catharine ———.

George Zimmerman, on December 4, 1784, resided in Turkey hundred, Maryland.

Between 1745 and 1758, George Zimmerman was confirmed by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of Goshenhoppen Reformed Charge.

40. MARY CATHARINE ZIMMERMAN³ (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Between 1745 and 1758, confirmed

by Rev. George Michael Weiss, pastor of Goshenhoppen Reformed Charge. Married, by the Rev. George Michael Weiss, before 1758, John Hoffman.

189. Anna Elizabeth Hoffman⁴, baptized, at Egypt church, Lehigh county, November 11, 1758—sponsors, John Yundt, Anna Elizabeth Yundin, and Anna Hoffman, wife of Michael Hoffman.

REFERENCES.

Marriage of Mary Catharine Zimmerman. See Perkiomen Region. Volume Three. page 185.

42. MAGDALENA KURR³ (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born July 28, 1743; baptized, by the pastor of the Lutheran church, in Upper Milford township, near the present Dillingersville, Lehigh county, Pa., September 18, 1743—sponsors, Peter Schilp and wife Anna Catharina; married John Roscher. Children:

190. Jacob Roscher⁴.
191. John Roscher⁴, born December 31, 1767; baptized, by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, January 24, 1768.
192. Henry Roscher⁴, born March 24, 1769; baptized by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, April 2, 1769.
193. Elizabeth Roscher⁴, born October 27, 1786; baptized, by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, November 19, 1786—sponsors, the parents.

John Roscher, according to a statement upon the tombstone of his son, John Roscher, was a schoolmaster.

43. SUSANNA KURR³ (Anna Elizabeth Dodderer², George Philip Dodderer¹.) Born May 1, 1746 (Church Record says 1747); baptized, by the pastor of the Lutheran church in Upper Milford township, near the present village of Dillingersville, Lehigh county, Pa., June 21, 1746 or 1747—sponsors, David Streib and wife Susanna; married Jacob Welker; died August 24, 1823. Johan Jacob Welcker, son of George and Anna Margretha Welcker, was born March 27, 1746; baptized, by Rev. Frederick Casimir Müller, pastor of New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, April 6, 1746—sponsors, Benedict Strom and wife Catharine; died July 17, 1832. Husband and wife are buried at New Goshenhoppen Reformed church. Children:

194. Anna Maria Welker⁴, born March 12, 1769.
195. George Welker⁴, born May 9, 1771; died, unmarried, in Upper Hanover township, October 5, 1860.
196. Jacob Welker⁴, born September 7, 1772.
197. Susanna Welker⁴, born October 2, 1775; died, unmarried, October 5, 1860.

198. John Welker⁴, born August 5, 1778; died, unmarried, September 25, 1854.

199. Margaret Welker⁴.

Anna Maria Welker married Henry Grub; died January 2, 1824; buried at Leidig's graveyard. Heinrich Grob, son of John and Anna Ella (Christman) Grob.

Jacob Welker married Margareth Schellenberger; buried at Leidy's church, Franconia. They had three children.

Margaret Welker married Jacob Hoffman, resided in Rochland township, Berks county; buried at Long's church, Topton. They had no children.

George Welker and Susanna Welker, who died the same day, were buried in the same grave.

NOTES.

In 1781, for Effective Supply tax, Jacob Welcher, farmer, of Whitpain township, was taxed £2 16 11, on a valuation of £223.

In 1784, Jacob Welker was assessed, in Upper Hanover township, on 180 acres of land and dwelling, 4 horses and 5 cows.

After their removal from Whitpain to Upper Hanover township, Jacob Welker and family were members of New Goshenhoppen Reformed church.

47. JACOB DUTROW³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹.) Married Marillis ———; died in Frederick county, Maryland; is buried near Libertytown. Children:

200. Christian Dutrow⁴.

201. Conrad Dutrow⁴.

202. John Dutrow⁴, born October 21, 1769.

203. David Dutrow⁴.

204. Samuel Dutrow⁴, died, unmarried, near Middletown, Md.

205. Philip Dutrow⁴.

206. Mary Dutrow⁴.

207. Susanna Dutrow⁴.

208. Elizabeth Dutrow⁴, married ——— Haas.

209. Sarah Dutrow⁴; married Jones Mellohorn; lived in Frederick county, Md.

210. Rebekah Dutrow⁴; married ——— Burton.

Jacob Dutrow made his last will and testament November 7, 1804, which was probated October 27, 1806.

HIS WILL.

I Jacob Dudderar of Frederick County and State of Maryland do make and ordain this my last will and testament. It is my will that my wife Marillis shall have the use of one third of my whole estate during her life. It is my will that my

executors hereinafter mentioned shall on the decease of my wife sell my whole estate both real and personal to the best advantage also collect my debts that may be due to me and the money arising from such Sale, and Collections to be divided into five equal parts and paid to my children as follows to wit: Three fifths of the whole amount to be paid to my six sons, Christian, Conrad, John, David, Samuel and Philip or to their heirs or assigns in equal proportions, or each of them one sixth part of said three fifths; which sums when so paid to my said sons is to be the estate of themselves, their heirs and assigns forever. It is my will that the remaining two fifths of the whole amount of my estate be equally divided between my five daughters, that is one fifth part of said two fifths of my whole estate to each, the parts designed for my daughters Mary Beyer and Susanna Collenberger, wife of John Collenberger are to be kept in the hands of my executors and the interest thereof paid to them, yearly during their lives, but if either or both of my said daughters survive their husbands then, and in that case my executors are directed to pay them their respective parts of my estate which when received by them is to be the estate of themselves their heirs and assigns forever. However, should my said daughters Mary and Susannah die before their said husbands, or either of them, the Interest of the share of the deceased is to the use of their children during their minority and on their coming to lawful age the share of my said daughter or daughters to be equally divided between their children. It is intended and ordered the Interest directed to be paid by my Executors to my said daughters Mary and Susannah shall be paid to themselves only. It is my will that the remaining part of the two-fifths of my estate be equally divided between my daughters Elizabeth, Sarah and Rebekah, that is, one fifth part of said two fifths to each which shares or parts when received by them is to the estate of themselves their heirs and assigns forever.

It is my will that parts or shares of my estate herein bequeathed shall be discharged according to the age of my children respectively beginning with the eldest and so on in succession till the whole be paid except in the cases of Mary Beyer and Susannah Collenberger. The foregoing distribution of my estate has been arranged on mature deliberation. It is my will and I order that if any of my children shall be so far dissatisfied with it, as to quarrel with the others or presume to effect a change thereof by law such child or children shall forfeit all their claim to my estate and the share intended for them shall be equally divided among such of my children as peacefully submit thereto. It is my will and I order that such property as my wife may possess at the time of her decease shall be equally divided between my six sons aforesaid. I hereby nominate my sons David Duddarer and Samuel Duderer executors of this my last will and testament with full power to sell my whole estate both real and personal and on receipt of payment for my land they or the longest liver of them (if either should die) to make and execute to the purchaser or purchasers as full and complete titles as I myself could make or execute in my life time. I hereby revoke all former wills and testaments, made by me and declare this present instrument to contain and be my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of November, A. D. 1804.

Witnesses:

JACOB DUTROW [SEAL].

Sabitt Sollers, Christian Champer,
Christian Waggoner.

49. CONRAD DUDDERAR¹ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born May 26, 1738; married Margaret Pannebecker; died May 1, 1831. Margaret Pannebecker, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Keyser) Pannebecker, of Perkiomen and Skippack township, Philadel-

phia county, Pennsylvania, born November 8, 1742; died August 14, 1797. Children:

211. John Dudderar⁴, born January 17, 1770.
212. Samuel Dudderar⁴, born September 9, 1771.
213. Conrad Dudderar⁴, born September 3, 1773.
214. Benjamin Dudderar⁴, born July 8, 1777.
215. William Dudderar⁴, born in 1781.
216. David Dudderar⁴, born December 16, 1782.
217. Sarah Dudderar⁴.
218. Elizabeth Dudderar⁴, died unmarried.
219. Susanna Dudderar⁴, married ——— Carlile; no children.

Conrad Dudderar was born in Frederick township, Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania. He stated to his grandson, the late Judge George W. Dudderar, of Unionville, Frederick county, Maryland, that he came to Maryland when twenty years old; that he married against his father's wishes; that he borrowed £50 from one of his father's brothers to start on. When he first went to Maryland he wrote his name Dutterer.

He settled in Frederick county, in the vicinity of Unionville. He was a tanner, successful in business, and became wealthy. He was a captain in the Revolutionary war, and would not receive any pay for his services. When independence was gained, the people of the neighborhood gathered at his house, being the largest in the neighborhood at that time, and held a meeting of rejoicing. The house in which this celebration was held is still standing and is now owned by Jesse Nicodemus, a great-grandson of the Revolutionary owner. Upon an eminence on this farm, somewhat away from the road and the house, is the private burying ground of the Dudderar family. Stones with the following inscriptions mark the graves of Conrad and Margaret Dudderar:

Sacred
to
The Memory
of
Conrad Dudderar, Born
the 26th of May, 1738, and departed
this life the first of May, 1831
in the 93rd year of his
~ ~ ~ A g e ~ ~ ~

In Memory of
Margaret
Dudderrar
Died August the
14th 1797 Aged
55 years.

Conrad Dudderar made a will June 19, 1816, in which he named his son William as his executor. He owned at this time a number of tracts of land in Frederick and Baltimore counties, Maryland, and in Lincoln county, Kentucky.

HIS WILL.

In the name of God, amen, I Conrad Dudderar of Frederick County, in the State of Maryland, make and ordain this my last will and testament, as follows: It is my will that my Funeral charges be paid, out of my Estate, by my Executor, hereinafter named. Item: I bequeath to my son John Dudderar and his heirs, all the farming utensils, stock and other personal property, heretofore, put into his possession, he having received his share of my real estate by a deed to that effect.

I bequeath to my son Samuel Dudderar, his heirs and assigns forever, all the lands which I own in Lincoln County, in the state of Kentucky and which were conveyed to me, by Benedict Swope of the same County and State. I also remit to him and his heirs, the sum of four hundred dollars, on his note of hand payable to me but he is to pay my executor two hundred dollars that being the balance of said note.

I bequeath to my son Benjamin Dudderar his heirs and assigns forever, all that tract of land conveyed to me and John Dudderer by Michael Haines Senior, lying in Baltimore County. It being part of a tract of land, called Upper Marlborough, with all its improvements and appurtenances: He paying my Executor for the purpose of discharging legacies, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars in five equal annual instalments.

I bequeath to my son William Dudderar, his heirs and assigns forever; the plantation on which I now reside, composed of the following tracts or parcels of land, to wit, one parcel called the "Mistake rectified," another part of "Pleasant Fields," purchased of Thomas Dorsey. Another called part of the Resurvey on Justices Delight conveyed to me by Adam Marckle. Also fifty acres being part of a tract of land called "Black Walnut Ridge," and at the North end thereof, to begin at the end of the First line of the tract of land called Justices Delight; to be so laid off as to contain that quantity; He paying for the purpose of discharging Legacies, hereinafter mentioned the sum of two Thousand five hundred dollars in six equal annual payments.

I bequeath to my son David Dudderar his heirs and assigns forever, the tract of land and plantation, on which he resides. It being part of a tract of land, called "Pleasant Fields," purchased of William Goodwin, to begin at the end of the third line of "Comb's Inheritance," as stated in the deed from Goodwin. Also twenty five acres, the South end, and Residue of the tract of land called Black Walnut Ridge, he paying to my Executor the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of discharging the Legacies, hereinafter mentioned in six equal Annual instalments.

I bequeath to my daughter Sarah Funston her heirs and assigns forever all that tract or parcel of land, called the "Apple Orchard," to begin at the end of the second line of a tract of land Browns Delight.

I bequeath to my daughters Elizabeth and Susannah Dudderar, the sum of four hundred dollars each, also the furniture provided for them.

I bequeath to my son Conrad Dudderar and my daughters, Elizabeth, Susannah Dudderar and Sarah Funston the residue of my Personal Estate to be equally divided among them, which distribution it is understood is exclusive of their respective legacies as aforesaid. The Distributive share of my daughter Elizabeth to be paid her by my executor as it becomes due or he may retain it in his hands and pay her the interest annually, at her option and should she die before such share comes into her hands, it then is to be the property of my son William and his heirs. As the funds out of which these legacies are to be paid cannot come into the hands of the Executor, otherwise than is provided herein, It is my will that he is not to be called on by the legatees, till they are received, and he is then to pay them their respective shares in equal proportions.

I devise to my daughter Elizabeth all my household furniture not otherwise disposed of. And to my sons William and David all the farming utensils, stock, and other personal property heretofore delivered to them.

I hereby constitute and appoint my son William Dudderar sole Executor of this my last will and testament, and revoke all former wills and testaments heretofore made by me, but ratify and confirm this to be and contain my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal this 19th June, A. D. 1816.

Witnesses:

CONRAD DUDDERAR [SEAL].

Robert Cumming,
Geo. Ovelman,
John Gerhard.

Be it remembered that I Conrad Dudderar testator to the foregoing last will and testament, have added this present as a Codicil thereto, and order that it may be considered as a part of my last will and testament, so far as it respects the provision of my daughter Susanna, to wit: It is my will that the specific devise of four hundred dollars, and the proposition of the residue of my personal Estate, as devised to my said daughter Susannah, shall remain in the hands of my executor, who is to pay her the interest thereof annually during her life. But should my said Executor die, before my said daughter Susannah, my son John Dudderar is hereby authorized to take charge of the property hereby devised for her use, and pay her the interest thereof annually thereof as above. It is hereby provided that my daughter Susannah shall be at full liberty, to leave the property hereby provided for her support as above, to any or either of my Children or Grand children she may choose, whether she may be married or single, by a will to that effect.

Witness my hand and seal this 23d June, A. D. 1823.

Witnesses:

CONRAD DUDDERAR [SEAL].

Robert Cumming,
Geo. Ovelman,
George P. Buckey.

THE PENNYPACKER FAMILY.

Heinrich Pannebecker, born at Flomborn, on or about March 21, 1674, came to Pennsylvania probably from the city of Crefeld, near the Rhine, not long before the beginning of the year 1700. He was a surveyor and owned extensive tracts of land on Skippack creek and vicinity. In 1699, he married Eve Umstat, at Germantown. They had eight children. Peter, the third, was born March 8, 1710; married, in 1733, Elizabeth Keyser; died June 28, 1770. On December 2, 1747, Peter Pannebecker bought a mill and fifty-eight and a quarter acres of land, on Perkiomen creek, opposite the present town of Schwenksville. He had a tract of land containing 515 acres and 130 perches. Here he lived the rest of his life, waxed fat and grew in substance from the tolls he gathered at the mill until he was known all over Philadelphia county as a wealthy man. In 1755, he added a fulling mill to full cloth. At his death, the mill and land east of the creek became the property of his son Samuel. In September, 1777, the American army encamped on this farm, and Washington established his headquarters in Samuel Pannebecker's house. (See Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker's historical sketch on "The Pennypacker Reunion, October 4, 1877," also his "Hendrick Pannebecker.")

Allusion to his daughter Margaret, wife of Conrad Dudderar, is thus made in the will of Peter Penebacker, dated September 26, 1760, of Perkiomen and Skippack township, proved August 28, 1770: "Item. I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret now Wife of Conraht Doderer the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty pounds to be paid unto her after my Decease by my Executors to be taken out of a Certin Obligation wherein

he is Obligated to me the one of them is One hundred and Ten Pound and the other Eighty pound."

50. CHRISTINA DUDDARER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Married (probably) Jacob Pannebecker.

Jacob Pannenbecker and Christina, his wife, had baptized, August 19, 1759, by the pastor of ——— Church, their son, Jacob Pannenbecker. The sponsors were Anna Susan Dotterer and Conrad Keeler.

JACOB PANNABECKER.

Jacob Pannabecker XVI 163. Frederick township Effective Supply tax—1782=valuation £1000. Tax, 5 0 10.

Jacob Pannebecker XVI 549. Frederick township. Federal tax 1783. 1 grist mill, 1 saw mill, 266 acres, 2 horses, 3 cattle, 6 sheep.

51. CHRISTIAN DUDDARER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Was baptized in infancy; confirmed a member of Falkner Swamp Reformed church early in 1770; married Barbara Royer, daughter of John Michael and Mary Catharine Royer, of Upper Salford township, Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania. Barbara Royer was born September 16, 1742; died February 21, 1811. Children:

220. Elizabeth Duddarer⁴, born September 5, 1767; died in infancy.

221. Catharine Duddarer⁴, born September 11, 1769.

222. John Duddarer⁴, born September 30, 1772.

Christian Duddarer lived in New Hanover township, at the time of his death, October 25, 1774.

On May 13, 1775, the Orphans' Court appointed Conrad Duddarer, their grandfather, guardian of John Duddarer and Catharine Duddarer, children of Christian Duddarer, late of New Hanover township.

The widow of Christian Duddarer married Jost Fryer. They had one son and five daughters.

Elizabeth Freyer, married Michael Hilbert.

Christina Freyer, born in March, 1777; died in December, 1795.

Barbara Freyer, married Henry Neese.

Jacob Freyer, born July 28, 1784; settled in Erie county, Pa.

Jost Freyer and his wife are buried at Falkner Swamp Reformed church.

NOTE.

In 1769, Christian Dodderow's name appears in the Proprietary tax levy of Frederick township, but no tax was laid on him.

52. SUSANNA DUDDARER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹.) Married Conrad Keeler. Children:

223. Magdalena Keeler⁴.

224. Conrad Keeler⁴, born September 10, 1767.

53. JOHN DOTTERER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born November 26, 1751; baptized, early in 1770, by Rev. Nicholas Pomp, pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church; married, December 21, 1772, Maria Schmid; died February 1, 1835. Maria Schmid, born August 24, 1749; died September 23, 1820. No children.

John Dotterer lived in early life upon a portion of the two-hundred-and-fifty acre plantation owned by his father and grandfather. At the sale of the property by the executors of the estate of Conrad Duddarer, John Markley was the purchaser of the whole farm, found to contain two hundred and thirty-seven acres. Markley divided it into several portions, and John Dotterer bought ninety-eight acres, upon which stood the paternal homestead. At this time he was comfortable in circumstances and had influence. In course of time he became impoverished, through making endorsements. He owned the ninety-eight acres from 1803 to 1818; then he conveyed sixty-five acres to George Adam Schlonecker; in 1823 he sold the remaining thirty-three acres. He then moved to the vicinity of Sumneytown. His death was caused by heart-disease. While reading his Bible, he felt and complained of giddiness and instantly expired. His last dwelling place was between the present village of Perkio-menville and Sumneytown. It is said he is buried at Bertolet's Menno-nite meeting-house, but his grave is not marked.

NOTES.

In 1780, John Dottrr, of Frederick township, was rated £3 0 0 per £100 on £700, say £21 0 0, for Effective Supply tax. In 1774 John Dotterer, of Frederick township, was taxed £0 6 8 on one cow.

In 1779, John Detrow, of Frederick township, was taxed £2 0 0, on which 5 shillings in the £, say 10 shillings, was collected.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton H. Hildebrandt, of Tylersport, Pa., own a Bible containing the records of Johannes Dotterer and Maria Schmitten. It was printed in Nuremberg by Johann Andrea in 1765. Mr. James Y. Heckler says: "It is the most complete and best preserved Bible to be found, of that age."

54. ELIZABETH DUDDARER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Born about 1749; baptized, by Rev. Nicholas Pomp, pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, early in the year 1770; married.

At Cedarville, Chester county, Pa., April 16, 1889. Michael Dotterer said: "On a certain occasion Hannes Dotterer and John Esterlein together visited Elizabeth Duddarer, who was married and lived at Weissenberg, Lehigh county. I do not remember to whom Elizabeth Duddarer was married."

55. ABRAHAM DOTTERER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Married Barbara Esterlein; died in December, 1814.

Barbara Cesterlein was buried in the private burying ground, now Bertolet's Mennonite meeting house, October 23, 1801, aged thirty-three years, three months. Rev. Frederick Lobrecht Herman, Reformed, preached her funeral sermon. Children:

225. Conrad Dotterer⁴, born October 23, 1793.

226. Magdalena Dotterer⁴, born May 10 or May 18, 1796; died, unmarried, in December, 1855, aged 59 years, 7 months; buried at Bertolet's meeting house; Rev. Moses Gottschall, Mennonite, preached her funeral sermon. Baptized by the pastor of Falkner Swamp Reformed church, March 14, 1797—Testes, Bernhard Doderer and Catharine Beker.

Abraham Dotterer lived in Frederick township, on the western portion of his father's plantation, in the house fronting the Skippack or Great road. He was stout in person, and a tanner.

Abraham Dotterer, aged 40, baptized November 19, 1800.

Barbara Dotterer, wife of Abraham Dotterer, baptized November 19, 1800.

56. MAGDALENA DOTTERER³ (Conrad Duddarer², George Philip Dodderer¹). Married, February 23, 1786, by Rev. Frederick Dellicker, Peter Cesterlein; died in 1847. (John) Peter Cesterlein, son of Jeremiah and Mary Catharine (Weitner) Cesterlein, was born October 24, 1763; died June 1, 1832. They and their children are buried at Bertolet's Mennonite meeting-house. Children:

227. Elizabeth Cesterlein⁴, born 1787; her baptism is recorded at Old Goshenhoppen Lutheran church; died unmarried; buried, March 25, 1803.

228. John Cesterlein⁴, born in 1792; never married; died, February 20, 1855. Rev. Moses Gottschall, Mennonite, preached his funeral sermon.

Peter Cesterlein lived in New Hanover township, Montgomery county, Pa. April 1, 1813, he purchased sixteen acres and seventy perches in Frederick township.

Rev. Conrad Miller, Lutheran minister, preached the funeral sermon of Peter Cesterlein.

This closes the record of the descendants of George Philip Dodderer, to the third generation.

While printing this family history, the author and compiler, Henry S. Dotterer, was taken suddenly ill the last of December, 1902, and died January 10, 1903. The remainder of the records of the Dotterer family may be found in manuscript in the archives of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, located at Thirteenth and Locust streets, Philadelphia.

PART II.

THE DOTTERER FAMILY IN GERMANY.

Extended investigations have been carried on in various places in Germany to determine where George Philip Dodderer, the emigrant, came from and who his ancestors were. Thus far they have not been entirely successful. However, we publish the following information as clues which later investigators may follow, hoping that they will ultimately lead to the desired result.

RESEARCHES CONCERNING GEORGE PHILIP DODDERER.

The church-books at Bonningheim, in Wurtemberg, have been searched for trace of George Philip Dodderer's birth from 1665 to 1712. These books extend back into the sixteenth century. Should later investigators find that George Philip Dodderer sprang from this place, the probability is that the pedigree may here be found two or three generations farther back than that of our immigrant progenitor. A Schema genealogicum der Nachkommenschaft des Matthäus Doderer von Bonningheim, prepared by the local pastor especially for this work, shows more satisfactory than any article the proportions of the Bonningheim Doderer family:

Matthäus Doderer, vine-dresser in Bonningheim, and citizen, and Catharina, his wife (also named Anna Catharina), had these children:

Hans Heinrich, born July 25, 1684.

Catharina, born May 19, 1686.

Anna Magdalena, born July 18, 1687.

Matthäus, born November 2, 1689.

Maria Juliana, born March 26, 1691.

Christoph, born September 10, 1694.

Agnes Maria, born February 6, 1697.

Johan Thomas, born April 22, 1699.

Matthäus Doderer, of Bonningheim, in Wurtemberg, was married October 28, 1710. His children consisted of several daughters and one son,

Christianus Doderer, born December 29, 1711, who settled at Kirchheim, was a tailor, married twice, and had ten children, 1736-1755, most of whom died young; one son grew to manhood, viz:

Jacob Friederich Dodderer, born in 1755; married, at Kirchheim, July 3, 1805; died, childless, March 6, 1841.

Georg Jacob Dotterer, aged eighty-three years, died at Bubenorbis, in Wurtemberg, in January, 1880. His father lived at Hinterbüchelberg, near Murrhardt.

In the family register of the Büchelberg congregation, in Wurtemberg, thirty-four families of the name Doderer occur, yet at the present time none of the name are known to live there. One of the baptisms there recorded is that of George Michael Doderer, born August 24, 1762, at Lutzensägmühle, whose parents were Joh. Georg Doderer, farmer in Büchelberg, and Anna Maria, maiden name not given. The name of George Philip Dodderer cannot be found in the record of baptisms or of

marriages. The record contains the name Hans Michael Doderer, born October 10, 1688, son of Hans Michael Doderer and Anna Maria.

Franz Paul Datterer, of Freising, book publisher, dealer in books generally, book printer, stereotyper, and music-printer, publisher of the "Freisinger Tagesblottes" and of the "Settimana," and dealer in paper and stationery, under date of May 20, 1880, writes that, so far as he knows, his family spring from the neighborhood of Fussen and Southafen, in Swabian Bavaria.

A careful examination of the registers of baptisms and marriages of the parish of Murrhardt, in Wurtemberg, and its affiliated congregations, covering the period from 1640 to 1740, these names of heads of families were found:

At Murrhardt.—Herr Johan Georg Doderer, burgomaster,
(amtsburgermeister.)

Hans Doderer, baker; wife Barbara.

Hans Michael Doderer, baker; wife Anna Maria.

Paulus Doderer, baker and under-doorkeeper; wife Regina.

Johann Christoph Doderer, baker; wife Ursula.

At Käsbach.—Caspar Doderer; wife Anna Maria.

Hans Doderer; wife Eleanore.

Hans Doderer, jun.; wife Ursula.

At Hausen.—Michael Doderer; wife Maria.

At Weidenhof.—Hans Doderer; wife Barbara.

Wiihelm Doderer; wife Barbara.

Hans Doderer, jun.; wife Eva.

At Weidenbach.—Jakob Doderer; wife Dorothea.

Johann Doderer; wife Margaretha.

At Göckelhof.—Hans Michael Doderer; wife Catharina.

Michael Doderer, jun.; wife Catharina.

At Fornsbach.—Johann Caspar Doderer; wife Anna Maria.

At Büchelberg.—Johann George Doderer; wife Anna Maria.

At Waltersberg.—Hans Adam Doderer; born 1743, died 1818; the family name is extinct at this place.

An examination of the church records at Idstein in Wurtemberg, resulted in the following genealogy:

Johann Christoph Doderer, baker, from Murrhard, and his wife Anna Ursula Schmidt. Their son:

Johann Leonhardt Doderer, shoemaker, born at Murrhard, December 26, 1716; married to Anna Maria Kiesewetter of Idstein on September 29, 1746. Their children:

1. Johann Philipp Theodor, born March 21, 1749.
 2. Susanna Maria Philippina, born January 24, 1758.
 3. Johann Matthäus, born September 9, 1759.
- Matthäus Doderer, also a shoemaker, married Maria Schlosser, of Wiesbaden, in 1791. Their children were:
1. Heinrich Christian, born June 30, 1792.
 2. Carl Philipp, born February 16, 1796.
 3. Philipp Martin, born September 19, 1798.
 4. Friedrich Ludwig Christian, born April 1, 1802.

Carl Philipp Doderer had the following children:

1. Ludwig, born October 17, 1824, at Eltville.
2. Friedrich, born in London.
3. Sophie.

Ludwig Doderer, of Eltville, former principal of a public school in Wiesbaden, kindly assisted in collecting the above information.

Ludwig Doderer, of Wiesbaden, died May 12, 1903.

From Heilbronn we have obtained the following information:

Carl Doderer. His children:

1. Christoph.
2. Eva.
3. Gottlieb, died 1846, at Heilbronn.
4. Carl.

Children of Gottlieb Doderer:

1. Ludwig, printer, died 1840.
2. Frederike, died 1876.
3. Carl, councilman at Heilbronn, died 1893.
4. Ferdinand, carpenter, died 1889.
5. Wilhelm, created a nobleman by the Austrian government, royal Councillor at Vienna, married Marie von Greisingen.

Children of Carl Doderer:

1. Wilhelm, born 1859, judge at Neckarsulm.
2. Carl, born 1864, merchant at Augsburg.

Children of Ferdinand Doderer:

1. Carl Doderer, died 1888, as Postal Clerk at Heilbronn.

Children of Wilhelm Doderer:

1. Willi von Doderer, architect in Vienna, born 1851.
2. Richard von Doderer, student of jurisprudence, born 1872.

Karl Martin Immanuel Doderer, of Stuttgart, held for many years the office of Kanzleirath to the King. His office was that of chancery or government councillor in the department of Buildings and Grounds.

See account of his ancestry in The Perkiomen Region, Vol. III, p. 182.

In Kinzheim, Alsace, the Dotterer family has had an abiding place for more than two centuries. In the records of the Town Hall, the oldest entry of the family is the following:

1681, January 7. Martinus Dotter von Sand.

Maria Barbara Knellin von Intlingen.

See account of the visit of Henry S. Dotterer to Alphonse Dotterer, merchant, at St. Croix-aux-Mines, Alsace.

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PART III.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
OF
HENRY S. DOTTERER.

IN MEMORIAM.

HENRY S. DOTTERER,

FELL ASLEEP ON THE EVENING OF

JANUARY 10, 1903.

"I have kept the faith."

*"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall
see God."*



RESURGAM.

TO MY HUSBAND.

We trod the pathway of life together like children,
hand in hand, not lingering in stony places but wandering
in beautiful valleys, plucking flowers, which proved to us
the love and goodness of God. We often sought the
mountains, which revealed to us His greatness and majesty.

A loving tribute from
his wife,
REBECCA S. DOTTERER.

LINE OF DESCENT OF HENRY S. DOTTERER.

George Philip Dodderer ¹ , Born in Europe. Died November 6, 1741.	married	Veronica ——— Born in Europe. Died October 20, 1752.
Michael Dotterer ² , Born in Europe May, 1698. Died April, 1786.	married	Anna Maria Fischer Born in Freinsheim, in the Palatinate of the Rhine. Died January, 1781.
Michael Dotterer ³ , Born October 31, 1735. Died March 12, 1811.	married (October 12, 1766)	Catharine Reiff, Born February 11, 1745. Died November 16, 1820.
Conrad Dotterer ⁴ , Born April 9, 1769. Died September 29, 1827.	married	Catharine Yunkin, Born August 25, 1777. Died September 16, 1840.
Philip Dotterer ⁵ , Born August 4, 1809. Died July 21, 1884.	married (February 2, 1840)	Priscilla Sassaman, Born January 6, 1819. Died February 17, 1880.
Henry S. Dotterer ⁶ , Born February 16, 1841. Died January 10, 1903.	married (June 20, 1876)	Rebecca S. Shelly,
Ralph Shelly Dotterer ⁷ , Born May 26, 1878. Died August 17, 1878.		

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH.

Henry Sassaman Dotterer, son of Philip and Priscilla (Sassaman) Dotterer, was born in Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pa., on the 16th of February, 1841. He first saw the light in the stone house built by his grandfather, Conrad Dotterer⁴, in 1813, on the road forming the dividing line between New Hanover and Frederick townships, one mile and a quarter northeast of Kreb's tavern (a hostelry of the olden time, famous far and wide) and about three miles east of the ancient village of Sumneytown.

From the weather record kept by Abraham Bertolet the following is taken: Hard frost; clear, with clouds; milder; sunset-glow.

The parents of Mr. Dotterer, being of the Reformed faith, had the child baptized on the 16th day of May, 1841, by Rev. Henry S. Bassler, pastor of Keelor's German Reformed congregation, which church, occupied jointly with the Lutherans, is located in Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pa. The sponsors were Henry Gilbert and wife.

The people of Frederick township were descendants generally of German immigrants who came to America before the Revolution, and the language spoken there was universally the Pennsylvania German.

During the winter of 1848-9 Henry attended the school of George Strohl in Kolb's and Freyer's schoolhouse; it was a log house, one story high. In 1849 Mr. Strohl taught at New Hanover Square; during the winter of 1849-50 John W. Arms was the teacher at Pennebacker's school at New Hanover, later Mr. Gresh and Samuel N. Faust taught here. Henry was a pupil in each of these instances as well as at the terms of summer school—one taught by Lettie Vandegrift, of Philadelphia—when such were held.

On the 22nd of March, 1852, Philip Dotterer and family moved to the borough of Norristown, in the same county. His object in doing so was to give his children an opportunity to learn to speak the English language and to enable them to enjoy the advantages of the superior public schools.

He remained in Norristown three years. During this period Henry went to the Oak street public school and in 1853 he attended for a short while, Rev. Samuel Aaron's Treemount Seminary, a noted school for boys. Henry also worked for a short time at Schall's nail mill and in 1854-5 he was engaged during the summer months in the grocery store of Samuel Benner, and the large general store of Joseph Slingluff. In the fall of 1855, a school of higher grade was opened in Frederick township under the auspices of the principal men of the Reformed and Lutheran congregations, as well as other friends of education in the vicinity. The school was named "Philomathic Institute," but later became known as "Frederick Institute," and was held in the Sunday-school building on

the hill on the west side of Society Run near Keelor's Church. Cyrus F. Guldin was the principal. Henry attended this institution, which was open to boys and girls. During the Christmas season an exhibition by the pupils, the first of the kind in the neighborhood, was given. Two literary societies were organized: one by the pupils of the school exclusively, the other by the gentlemen of the neighborhood, to which the older boy students were also admitted. Debates, dialogues and recitations were the principal exercises at the meetings of the societies. At the public exhibitions, just alluded to, a number of original orations in English and German were given by the more advanced young men. The winter of 1855-56 was remarkable for a heavy fall of snow. In the Spring of 1856, Philip Dotterer, Henry's father, sold his place in Frederick township and returned to Norristown. On the 10th of April, 1856, Henry S. Dotterer began a three-years' apprenticeship in the printing business in the office of Dr. E. L. Acker, proprietor of the "Norristown Register," a weekly Democratic newspaper.

The lad had long before chosen this trade, although his parents were unfavorable to the selection, desiring him to learn the carpenter's or cabinetmaker's business. From September, 1859, to May, 1860, he attended the boarding and day school of John W. Loch at Norristown.

This school was named "DeKalb Institute." He took up a large line of studies and his three or four years' experience in the printing office seems to have been an advantage rather than otherwise, to his education, for in the written examinations held by Prof. Loch, Henry stood first in averages in the school.

Dr. John W. Loch states in reference to this Institute, also known as Treemount Seminary: "It is with no small degree of satisfaction and pleasure that I am able to refer to so many pupils of Treemount, who in subsequent years became distinguished in the walks of life and in the history of our country. I am happy to name among them, General John F. Hartranft, afterwards Governor of Pennsylvania; General John Brooke; Admiral Frederick V. McNair; John Fornance, Engineer U. S. Navy, and Captain James Fornance, 13th Infantry, U. S. Army."

On Saturday afternoon, April 7, 1860, he, with a small number of others, was confirmed a member of the German Reformed Church of the Ascension, of Norristown, Rev. P. S. Davis, D. D., being pastor at that time. The following day, Sunday, he was admitted to the communion.

In 1857, upon the beginning of a new German newspaper at Pennsburg by Albrecht Kneule, Henry S. Dotterer became its Norristown correspondent. This engagement continued for two or three years. The correspondence was in English and translated by Mr. Kneule into German. He was engaged in the printing business in 1860 and part of 1861.

In September, 1861, just after having agreed to take a position in the office of the Pottsville "Democratic Standard," conducted by Henry

L. Acker, he was invited by the Directors of public schools of Norristown to assume the principalship of Sandy Hill Secondary School, which he did for the remainder of that year. After this Mr. Dotterer decided to go with Mr. Charles Burnham, manufacturer of druggists' tinware, in Philadelphia, as a clerk, and after a few years he was engaged as cashier and bookkeeper with Wanamaker & Brown, clothiers, at 6th and Market streets, Philadelphia. This position he soon resigned to take, through the good office of his friend, Mr. John W. Torrey, the place of cashier and bookkeeper with Peter Wright and Sons, shippers and importers, Philadelphia. This situation, as well as the one of confidential man of the firm, he held uninterruptedly for eighteen years, until December 31, 1882.

He was married, on June 20, 1876, to Rebecca S. Shelly, daughter of Dr. A. F. and Elizabeth S. Shelly, in the historic old Race street Reformed church, Philadelphia, by Rev. David VanHorne, D. D. They spent three months in Europe on a wedding trip.

In 1883-84 he was General Manager of "The Empire Company Limited," of New York City.

In 1890-1891, he with his wife, spent nearly a year in Anthony, Kansas, where he was looking after investments of Eastern capitalists, when he was recalled to Philadelphia by Mr. William Redwood Wright, Treasurer of the city of Philadelphia, to act as his assistant. In 1893, having a great desire to see the World's Fair Exposition and expecting to take up a line of congenial work, he with Mrs. Dotterer went to Chicago. He was appointed assistant to Mr. Gilbert Shaw, the city's banker, in the office of the City Treasurer, holding this place until recalled again to Philadelphia by Smith, Kline and French Co. to act as their cashier and accountant. In 1895-1896, accompanied by Mrs. Dotterer, he made a trip to Europe, consummating a desire which he had long cherished, to make researches in the archives and libraries, particularly of Holland, Germany and Switzerland, relative to the early immigration from these countries to America. He also wished to investigate the early history of the German Reformed Church as relating to Pennsylvania. They returned to America August 22, 1896, on the "St. Louis," which carried the famous Chinaman, Li Hung Chang, and his suite.

Mr. Dotterer was auditor of the National Export Exposition, Mr. Sydney L. Wright, Treasurer, held in Philadelphia in 1899, and for three years held the position of Assistant Treasurer of the Philadelphia Commercial Museums, which place he resigned, December 31, 1902, to accept the position of Private Secretary to Governor-elect Samuel W. Pennypacker. He was taken ill in December and his career was suddenly cut off after a short illness. He passed away on January 10, 1903. His unexpected death was a great shock to his many friends, both at home and abroad. They gave expression of their appreciation of his character and

*He found in the Archives in the Hague, Holland, the letters
referring to Coolidge minutes, from the Pennsylvania Churches which
had been lost for a century and a half. See "The American
relation to the Pennsylvania Reformed Church" by H. S. Dotterer.*

services in several hundred letters, cards of sympathy and condolence, sent to his bereaved wife and relatives. Many of these letters came from persons of prominence in the church, in business circles, and social life.

Mr. Dotterer had literary tastes and pursued researches in genealogy, local and church history as a positive pleasure and delight. In addition to his published works, "The Perkiomen Region, Past and Present," Vols. I, II, III; "Historical Notes Relating to the Pennsylvania Reformed Church," he wrote a number of sketches, among them being, Falkner Swamp; Life of Henry Antes; Life of John Philip Boehm; Jacob Reiff of Salford; Skippack Reformed Church; Whitemarsh Reformed Congregation in the Holland Archives; Persons and Places in Reformed History; The Church at Market Square, and The Markley Freundschaft.

In the Centennial Celebration of Montgomery County, held in September, 1884, at Norristown, Pa., he acted as a member of the Committee on Publication of the Official Record and of the Antiquarian Committee. Moreover, he classified a list of Exhibits with an alphabetically arranged list of exhibitors. He also wrote the account of Frederick Township in the "History of Montgomery County," published in 1884.

He was fond of travel, and with his wife made a number of trips to Canada, to the cities, mountains and lakes of New England, as well as to our own and Western and Southern States, and twice explored the wonders of Mammoth Cave.

He was a member of "The Historical Society of Pennsylvania," "The Pennsylvania Sons of the Revolution," "The Pennsylvania-German Society," "The Montgomery County Historical Society," and the "Presbyterian Historical Society."

Mr. Dotterer was for many years an Elder in the First Reformed Church of Philadelphia and Secretary of the Board of Corporation for fifteen years. He was one of the leading spirits in the celebration of the Sesqui-Centennial of the organization of the Cœtus of the Reformed Church, held in the First Church in September, 1896, and also of the interesting Historical Exhibit, held in the Witherspoon Building during the meeting of the General Synod of the Presbyterian Church in 1901. When this exhibit was repeated in the fall of the year during the sessions of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church, in Heidelberg Reformed Church, Philadelphia, he gave it his enthusiastic support and helped to make it a brilliant success. He recently contributed a series of historical "notes" in the little church paper, "The Gleaner," and his last active work in the church was in helping to arrange for the celebration of the 175th anniversary of the founding of the church, held on October 26, 1902. He put his usual enthusiasm into the exercises of the day and no one was happier in their marked success than he.

CROSSING THE BAR.

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark;
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crost the bar.

—TENNYSON.

THE FUNERAL SERVICES AND SERMON.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral services over the remains of Henry S. Dotterer, were held on Wednesday morning, January 14, 1903, at his residence, No. 1605 N. 13th street, Philadelphia. A very large concourse of friends, many of whom had been associated with him in business and social life, in his work in the church and in his literary pursuits, gathered to pay a last tribute of respect.

The funeral sermon was delivered by his pastor, Rev. E. F. Wiest. Rev. S. A. Ziegenfuss, D. D., pastor of St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Germantown, read selections of Scripture. Rev. James Crawford, D. D., pastor of Christ Reformed Church, offered prayer.

Beautiful floral tributes spoke eloquently of the regard in which he was held, and as in life he was very fond of flowers, it seemed fitting that they should breathe their fragrance about him in his last quiet sleep.

The honorary pall-bearers were:—Governor-elect Samuel W. Pennypacker, Joseph Fornance, Esq., Mr. John M. Hartman, John Woolf Jordan, LL. D., George W. Spiess, Esq., Mr. Benjamin F. Mechling, Mr. Sydney L. Wright, Mr. Mahlon N. Kline, Alfred Percival Smith, Esq., Mr. Henry M. Weaver.

Among those present at the services were:—Mr. Frank L. Neall, Mr. Andrew M. Bye, Mr. Edgar G. Thomas, Mr. Henry B. Benners, Mr. Saml. T. Roberts, Jr., connected with Peter Wright and Sons ; City Treasurer, J. Hampton Moore, Former City Treasurer, William Redwood Wright ; Dr. William P. Wilson, Director of The Philadelphia Museums; Mr. W. W. Foulkrod, Mr. C. A. Green, Mr. John J. Macfarlane; Mr. Rudolph Koradi, Swiss Consul to Philadelphia; Rev. C. J. Musser, D. D., Editor of Reformed Church Messenger, Rev. Joseph W. Santee, D. D., Rev. J. H. Sechler, D. D., Rev. Prof. William J. Hinke, Rev. C. H. Coon, D. D., Rev. George A. Scheer, D. D. ; J. O. Knipe, M. D., Willoughby H. Reed, Ph. D. M. D., Irwin P. Knipe, Esq., J. A. Strassburger,, Esq. ; Bishop N. B. Grubb, Rev. A. F. Dotterer, Prof. J. M. Anders, Ph. D. M. D., Prof. W. C. Hollopeter, M. D., Eugene I. Santee, M. D., Mr. J. Henry Workman, Mr. James Lane Pennypacker, Charles H. Mathews Esq., Mr. Edward O. Acker, Mr. Edwin C. Jellett, Albert Cook Myers, B. L., Mr. Benjamin Bertolet and Mr. Arthur T. Abernethy.

The interment in Laurel Hill cemetery, Philadelphia, was private.

ISAIAH 57: 1-2.

The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart : and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come.

He shall enter into peace : they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

SERMON BY REV. E. F. WIEST.

It is common for us to speak of the death of a good man when yet in the prime of life as untimely. Are we justified in saying this of any man? If we say this, do we not really challenge the wisdom, the omniscience, and the omnipotence of God? Does God make blunders? Does God permit men through ignorance, or carelessness, or innocence, to shorten the period of their usefulness in the world? We believe in God. We believe that He made all things animate and inanimate; that He made all things good, and that He made whatever He made to subserve His own purpose. Having faith in God, we believe that He gives being to every man in order that every man may contribute something toward the realization of His will on earth. This will of God is ultimately the establishment of God's reign of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit throughout the whole earth. All that God has made He made to praise Him. Even the wrath of man He maketh to praise His holy name. These things being admitted, we cannot believe that the death of any man is untimely. So to believe, would be to assert that it lies in the power of men or of circumstances to frustrate the will of God. Then God would be compelled to abdicate the throne of the absolute sovereignty of the universe. He would not then be a ruler, but a subject; not independent, but dependent. The only rational solution of this problem, is that found in the words of the prophet as found in our text.

In the preceding verses the prophet is speaking of the utter demoralization of his own people Israel. The high and the low are all sunken in depravity. Such is the general moral decline that "the righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart." The presence of a righteous man is a constant rebuke to the unrighteous man. Then the prophet makes it plain why the righteous man is taken away *seemingly*, before his time. "The righteous is taken away from the evil to come." Taking this view of the matter, we are to believe that the death of a good man while yet in the vigor of a robust manhood is a special mark of God's favor to him. In the dark hour of bereavement it is difficult to see the hand of a beneficent Providence. We are then dangerously near challenging the goodness and love of God. But after time has wrought its work of binding up and healing, every devout child of God can take the prophet's view and say with Paul, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look,

not at the things that are seen, but at the things that are not seen ; for the things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are not seen are eternal." "All things work together for good to them that love God." Then we begin to see that there is no untimely dying; we dwell not so much upon what we have lost as upon what the dead have gained; we more fully understand the concluding words of the prophet: "He entereth into peace; they rest in their beds, each one that walketh in his uprightness."

There is no doubt that human nature is much the same to-day in this land in which we live as it was in Palestine in the time of Isaiah; yet, I am constrained to believe, that, though there are undoubtedly many who are not affected in any way by the translation of a good man from his sphere of usefulness here on the earth to a higher sphere of greater usefulness in the spirit-world, there are yet multitudes of noble, God-fearing men and women who are deeply moved, warned, and instructed when a righteous man whom they have known, honored and loved, forsakes his tenement of clay and wings his flight into the purer realm of God above. I am all the more constrained so to believe, when I see about me here men and women representative of that which is highest, purest, and best, in the life of our city, to pay a tribute of respect and love to him whose mortal remains are lying before us. Such a gathering speaks more eloquently of the noble life of him so recently living and moving about in our midst, but now lying before us wrapped in the ceremonies of the grave, than any words that tongue can utter. Yet let us in a feeble way seek to point out certain eternal verities so magnificently illustrated in the life of our dear friend and brother.

It is not my purpose to leave the impression that this man was without his limitations. Like all men, he had his moral infirmities, and no one was more conscious of his shortcomings than was he. It was just because he knew himself a sinner that he sought reconciliation with God through Jesus Christ our Lord. When a man lives, we hear most of his defects in character; but when a man dies, we discover that the defects of good men, whatever they may have been, are so few and so trivial that they are not worth harboring in our memories. They are best forgotten. They are fittingly consigned to oblivion. Let us do so with reference to whatever may have been the shortcomings of our friend and brother. Let it be our aim to see the many noble traits of character so beautifully revealed in his life; and wherein he exemplified a great moral principle may we be stimulated to imitation by his example.

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He was recently appointed private secretary to Governor-elect Samuel W. Pennypacker; he looked upon this as a great honor as well as a great responsibility; he said to me, the question that disturbs me most is, can I do justice to the position? His greatest satisfaction and joy was the

thought that the man who appointed him had such confidence in his ability, reliability and judgment. It is but just to say that he truly loved the man who conferred upon him this honor.

Mr. Dotterer was a man of manifold activities. Wherever he was, he made himself felt, not by officiousness, but by those good qualities of mind and heart that were so characteristic of him. We may say of his home life that it was as near the ideal as one finds in this world. He and his honored wife had similar tastes and aspirations. We would not, however, enter too far into the sacred precincts of the home. We are treading here on holy ground. The joys of the past, the agonizing sorrow of the present, must be too sacred to us, to be further touched upon. Here was a home where a friend was always welcome. So many objects of interest were gathered here that a visit was always pleasant and profitable.

He mingled actively in the social circle, and was at all times prepared to add to the pleasure of the occasion. He was sociable by nature, and ever found it a delight to be present at social gatherings, in the church, at the parsonage, or at the home of any of the members. These functions, and those of a more public character, have lost one of its most charming members.

In the world of business he occupied no mean place. While not rated among the men of large financial means, he occupied positions of great responsibility and trust.

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We rejoice that it can be said of our friend that he never proved himself recreant to any trust. Pope said, "An honest man's the noblest work of God." Then was this man one of the noblest works of God. He was an honest man.

Mr. Dotterer was closely identified with the world of religion. Many years ago he became a member of the Reformed Church, and ever since has been a faithful member thereof. For more than twenty-five years he was connected with the First Reformed Church of this city, now located at Tenth and Wallace streets. For a long time he has been secretary of the Board of Corporation. He took a peculiar pride in carefully writing the minutes and in preserving any papers that might be of interest to future generations. It was remarked at the last meeting of the Board that the book into which he copied the proceedings was filled. The book closes with the close of his life. Mr. Dotterer was an elder of the church for many years. He had the interest of the congregation at heart, and was ever ready to attend the meetings of the Board, or any others that sought to better the condition of the congregation. He took especial pride in the long history of the congregation. As a worshipper, he was devout and sincerely reverent. He went not to the house of God as a matter of form. The church was to him the house of God. He took

part in the services. He always sang heartily with the congregation, and when responsive services were used, or united prayer offered, his voice always mingled with the rest. His attitude was always devout, and his presence an inspiration to the pastor. He understood the deeper principles of the Christian religion. He worshipped and served, not only from a sense of duty, but a sense of love to God—the highest of all motives. He was a liberal giver to the financial support of the church, and gave in a quiet way to the many purposes that appeal to the sympathetic heart. We, as members of the church to which he belonged, can truly say, as Jonathan said of David, "Thou shalt be missed, for thy seat will be empty."

If I were asked to point out the main characteristics of his splendid personality, I should say, first, that he was a man of strong and settled moral convictions, yet without narrowness or bigotry. He had convictions on the great moral problems which confront every man in this life. He was ever ready to state and maintain them. He was an emphatic man. He was no waverer. He halted not between two opinions. He was settled in his convictions and not easily moved from any ground once taken. He was not headstrong, but was firm. His mind was not closed to arguments and facts. He was not easily convinced, but always ready to be convinced, if the facts were against him, and sought the nearest and safest way to truth and right. Then, again, he was a strong, vigorous, energetic man, yet tender as a mother in his affections. It seems to be a marked trait of some of the great, strong natures that have blessed the world, that they have the tenderest of hearts. This was one of the very conspicuous traits of our friend. He was a friend of the children, and found it not difficult to enter into their feelings, and win their hearts. His heart beat with sympathy for the poor and the afflicted. He was ever ready with kindly word and helpful deed whenever appealed to. In the next place, he was a man whose soul was above the purchasing power of money and worldly fame.

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Would to God that there were many more such men in all the walks of life. Then, too, he was a man who deeply detested shams, or false pretence in anything. In this respect he was a disciple of Carlyle as well as of Jesus of Nazareth. He was plain, unaffected, and sincere in all his dealings with men; and could not abide pomposity or insincerity in any one. Straightforwardness was his method in dealing with men. He was a man who loved light and hated darkness.

Mr. Dotterer was a deeply religious man. There was no superficiality about his religious faith and practice. His religion was the fountain out of which sprang all the streams of his life. This was the foundation upon which the splendid superstructure of his character was erected. This made him the man to be trusted with responsible positions. This

made him the friend when companionship was an inspiration to higher thinking and nobler living; this it was that made him the splendid example of the devoted husband, affectionate brother, and loyal friend. Were any one inclined to doubt this, he should have been at the bedside when this brother was nearing the inevitable hour. There was no murmuring or complaining. There was absolute resignation to the will of the living God. There was perfect faith in the saving power of the crucified Christ. There was full assurance of the Heavenly Father's merciful pardon, and of a glorious immortality with God and all the ransomed hosts of Christ. He could say with Paul, he did say with Paul, "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

So far as our brother is concerned, it is all gain. The loss is ours. The loss is especially theirs who have been related to him by the strong ties of wife, brother and sister, and the other bonds of relationship. To them we can say that their appeal must be to that God to whom we must all go in such times of sorrow. We may be sure that such appeals are never made in vain. Remember that this separation is but temporary. It is at the longest but for a few years; and how rapidly the years come and go. Oh, let us wait patiently the coming time when we shall be released from all these heart-breaking experiences, and shall again be with our beloved ones in the far away kingdom of God. Courage! He is not dead. He is risen. He lives with God. He lives, waiting for your coming to be with him in the Father's home on high. In the meanwhile, God will be with you. "I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you." "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." "The eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms."

TRIBUTES OF HIS FRIENDS.

RESOLUTIONS.

At the Annual Meeting of the
Board of Trustees
of
The Philadelphia Museums,
held January 12, 1903,
the following minute was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS,

The Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Museums, has learned with
profound sorrow of the death of
HENRY S. DOTTERER,
for many years Assistant Treasurer of this Board, and who recently
resigned his office to accept the position of Private Secretary to the
Governor-elect of Pennsylvania:

Resolved, That this Board desires to place on record its sincere
appreciation of his sterling integrity, keen sense of honor, and courteous
personality, which endeared him to all his associates, and causes a feeling
of personal loss to each member of the Board.

Resolved, That we extend our deep sympathy to his family, and
that a suitably engrossed copy of this minute be presented to them, and
that it also be published in the newspapers.

Attest:

WILFRED H. SCHOFF,
Secretary.



SYDNEY L. WRIGHT,
WILLIAM W. FOULKROD,
DANIEL BAUGH,
Committee.

At a stated meeting of the Executive Council of the Presbyterian Historical Society it was ordered that the following In Memoriam minute should be entered upon the Record:

In the death of our highly esteemed fellow member and co-worker, Mr. Henry S. Dotterer, we realize that our Society has suffered the loss of a member who had gained distinction as an Historian, and that the members of the Council have been bereft of a friend who had become endeared to us.

We will ever remember him as a man gifted with sterling qualities of mind and heart; whose character was adorned with graces and virtues; as a man of blameless walk and chaste conversation.

In the business walks of life his integrity inspired confidence; his conscientiousness made him trustworthy; his high sense of honor raised him above suspicion. It was because of such qualities of character and of an honorable reputation that the Governor-elect of Pennsylvania, Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker, selected him to serve in the confidential relation of Private Secretary.

As a student he was deeply interested in the history of the denomination of which he was a member, and of his native State. Through his researches he made valuable contributions to our historical literature.

As a Christian he was humble, earnest, faithful. As an Elder in the Church he adorned the sacred office.

As a member of the Presbyterian Historical Society he was interested in its work and labored to promote its welfare.

We tender to his bereaved family our Christian sympathy.

Ours is the loss. His the gain.

HENRY C. MCCOOK,
ALFRED PERCIVAL SMITH
JAMES CRAWFORD.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Corporation of the First Reformed Church, Philadelphia:

Inasmuch as death has again taken one of our members from the church militant to the church triumphant, we, the members of the Board of Corporation of the First Reformed Church desire to record the deep sense of loss that we all feel in view of the unexpected summons of Elder Henry S. Dotterer into the presence of God, and also, to bear tribute to our sincere esteem of Brother Dotterer as a Christian friend and brother.

In Elder Dotterer we have lost an associate who for many years has rendered efficient service as an Elder, Secretary of the Board of Corporation, and also by his painstaking researches in reference to our congregational and denominational history. His kindly disposition endeared him to us all, and his loss is one that we deeply feel and deplore. Therefore,

Resolved, That we sorrowfully bow to the inscrutable dispensation of Almighty God, whereby our brother has been taken from us; that we rejoice in the knowledge that, in passing away, he gave such beautiful testimony to his faith in the saving power of our Lord Jesus Christ; that we extend to Mrs. Dotterer our heartfelt sympathy in this trying hour, and that we commend her to the keeping of that Father who overrules the afflictions of the children of men for final good, and who never fails to sustain those who put their faith in him.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in The Gleaner, that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Corporation, and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Dotterer.

HENRY M. WEAVER, President.

O. S. SHELLEY, Secretary.

PRESS NOTICES.

From the *Reformed Church Messenger*, Rev. C. J. Musser, D. D. editor.

For such a man as Henry S. Dotterer, who died here in Philadelphia on January 10th, death is a gain, for such a man, faithful in all relations of life, there can be no defeat. Faith, loyalty to the Master in all we do, always wins the victory, not only over the world, but over death and the grave as well. Such have both here and hereafter the gift of eternal life. The loss that comes through what seems an untimely taking off falls not on him who goes hence, but on those who remain behind—on wife and relatives, and friends and co-laborers in the Church and the social community. To-day there are those who realize keenly the effect of his departure. But he has left behind him a rich legacy, not in wealth, but in what is worth far more—in the life he lived, in the good account he gave of himself in all relations of life, in all positions of trust, in the character he wrought out, in his witness to the truth, in his love to the Church, in his loyalty to the Master. In regard to the great and important things of life, as just enumerated, his end was not untimely. He had fought a good fight and had kept the faith. His living example remains to cheer us. For him there are abundant opportunities elsewhere to realize his high ideals of life and duty.

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His appointment in December by Governor-elect Samuel W. Pennypacker as his private secretary is still fresh in the public mind. The politicians expressed some surprise at this appointment, as Mr. Dotterer had not been particularly active in practical politics, but the Governor, who was his personal friend, knew the worth of the man he had chosen, and had Mr. Dotterer lived we are confident that he would have filled this position not only with credit, but with great satisfaction to those most nearly concerned. His fidelity, his courtesy, his high sense of honor, his knowledge of human nature, his pride in his State, and his hope to see the present administration worthy of high regard of the best citizens, fitted him for the office to which he was chosen.

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It seems but yesterday that he stood in these rooms here at the Publication House and looked at the pictures of pastors and of churches hanging on the wall, and talked interestingly and hopefully of the Church. No one could know Mr. Dotterer long without learning of his enthusiasm for Reformed Church history. And then he was so genial, so true, and withal so modest and so courteous that one could not help but be a willing listener. Sorry, very sorry, are we that he will not call again. His visits were always an inspiration. Sorry, too, are we that the Church will no longer have his service, and not the least, but rather the greatest service he rendered the Church, was the upright, straightforward, healthy-minded, Christian life he led. Henry S. Dotterer, as a good friend, loyal husband, honest citizen, and true gentleman, will always remain to those who knew him as one of the best and most satisfying evidences of the worth and the beauty of the Christian life.

Rev. J. Irwin Brown, M. A., B. D., in *Our Magazine*, published in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, says:

News has just reached us of the death of Mr. Henry S. Dotterer at his home in Philadelphia on the 10th of January. Mr. Dotterer was well known to many in our church. Some years ago, in company with his wife, he made a European tour, and spent a winter in Rotterdam, in examining the archives of various historical societies. In spite of the heavy labour involved in these researches, he found time to make many friends, and was held in high and general esteem.

Born in 1841, Mr. Dotterer was educated for business, and after a prosperous career, occupied important official positions in his native state, being successfully Assistant Treasurer of Philadelphia Commercial Museums, Auditor for the National Export Exposition, and latterly appointed Secretary to the Governor. He was one of the leading spirits in awakening a deeper interest in everything pertaining to the history of the Reformed Church of America—a church which he loved and was proud of, and which he served with fidelity. The relationship which formerly existed between the Dutch and German Reformed Churches, and those in the United States, he had made a matter of careful study—study too at first hand in the original documents—and this is the subject of his chief published articles.

He was appointed member of several learned societies, and did a good deal of literary work. Possessing many of the historian's gifts, painstaking accuracy, imagination and a clear and vivid style, he devoted them to high ends. He will be much missed. "But not the least service," says the Reformed Church Messenger, "that he rendered the church, was the upright straightforward, healthy-minded Christian life he led. He has left behind him a rich legacy in the character he wrought out, in his witness to the truth, in his loyalty to the Master.

We would tender heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Dotterer and to all sorrowing relatives.

The Gleaner of First Reformed Church says in part:

It is with a sorrowful heart that the editor begins this article. The death of Mr. Dotterer was so unexpected. He was yet in the prime of a matured manhood and seemed destined for many useful years. All who knew him predicted that he would in every way be able to meet the requirements of his new responsible position. Shortly after his appointment he appeared in very fair health and in the very best of spirits. What a startling reversal of expectations! Even, yet, we cannot make ourselves believe that we never shall see him again in his accustomed seat in the church. It is more like a nightmare than a reality. How we shall miss him! We shall miss him as an officer, as a worshiper, as a very liberal supporter of the financial part of our work, as a free giver to the benevolence of the church, as a genial, warm-hearted friend.

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Friends representative of the highest and best life of the city were present at the funeral services to show their respect for our departed brother. His death may be described as that of the ideal Christian. He fell asleep in Jesus.

Committee on Necrology appointed by The Philadelphia Classis of the Reformed Church in the United States, after stating the principal events in his life and referring to his work in the church, concludes with these words:

Mr. Dotterer lived a clean, upright, earnest, useful Christian life, and has entered into the rest and reward of the faithful. He was true, noble, affable, humble and courteous; his splendid character was an exemplification of the excellence and beauty of the Christian faith and life. In his death he had the hope of a blissful immortality. He is survived by his wife, who has the sincere sympathy of all who knew her estimable husband. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

The Philadelphia *Evening Bulletin* of December 17, 1902, gives this editorial :

Governor-elect Pennypacker, in the selection of Henry S. Dotterer as his private secretary, has paid no attention to the politicians, but has acted on the principle of appointing a man to suit himself. In doing so he has chosen a citizen of excellent reputation, whose careful, painstaking habits as a business man should make him acceptable not only to the new Governor, but to all who may have business to transact at the Executive office.

The following editorial appeared in the *Norristown Daily Herald*, December 18, 1902, Mr. Morgan R. Wills, editor :

Every one who is acquainted with Henry S. Dotterer, rejoiced on hearing that he has received the appointment tendered him by Governor-elect Pennypacker.

Mr. Dotterer is well known in this, his native county. He was born in Frederick township, coming of that sturdy German stock which forms so important an element in the population of Montgomery. He came in his boyhood to the county-seat, and learned the trade of printing, which has had so large a share in determining his pursuits.

As a historian, Mr. Dotterer has dealt with that section of the county and with that element of its people with whose ancestry and whose language he was familiar. In his "Perkiomen Region" he has made a very important and valuable contribution to the annals of Montgomery county. In his researches abroad, he has traced many facts of deep interest to the descendants of those who came to this country with the tide of German immigration more than a century and a half ago.

Mr. Dotterer is a typical Pennsylvania—earnest, honest, thoroughly devoted to the interests of his state and its people. There is no question of his performing the duties of the position to which he has been called with fidelity and success. He has never been prominently identified with party politics, but he is none the less likely to succeed on that account.

In his first appointment, the new Governor has indicated that he will call around him men who will be certain to make his administration a success from its beginning. Should he continue to make selections of this kind he will surround himself with those whose earnestness and force of character are the best possible guarantee of the proper performance of duty.

Rev. P. C. Croll, A. M., of Lebanon, Editor of *The Pennsylvania-German*, states the following :

"In the death on January 10th of Mr. Henry S. Dotterer, of Philadelphia, the cause of local history, especially as it pertains to our Pennsylvania-German life, has lost one of its most scholarly and faithful devotees. His works and publications will not let his name perish."

From Dr. John W. Loch, Principal of Treemount Seminary, at Norristown, came this message :

About the year 1859, there presented himself for enrollment as a pupil of Treemount, Henry S. Dotterer, of Norristown. From his subsequent integrity of character and his aptness as a student, and from his lovable disposition, he endeared himself to me from the very beginning and I predicted for him a future much beyond the ordinary. As the years went on, I followed his career as a business man and as a historical writer, ever to my satisfaction and approval, and when the news reached me that in the midst of preparation for future usefulness there suddenly came the call "come up higher," it was with great surprise and deep sympathy for his friends that so useful and promising a life should so early in life be ended.

From the sketch written for *The Independent Gazette*.

In the death of Henry S. Dotterer, Germantown has lost a valued friend, and one who has given unselfishly much time and study to the preservation of her early records.

Although always a busy man, Mr. Dotterer found time to engage in his favorite pursuit. It was he who originated the movement to place a monument over the grave of Henry Antes at Frederick. It was he who, while travelling in Switzerland, discovered a letter of Francis Daniel Pastorius, which gave a most valuable account of early Germantown. It was this letter which describes the path, beaten by the settlers themselves, which became the "Great road," and disproving the statement, oft repeated, that Germantown road was originally an Indian path.

Mr. Dotterer was a man of simple tastes and loved to visit the Perkiomen region, and Frederick, his birthplace. One of his favorite enjoyments was to take a trolley to Collegeville and the Trappe, and walk through the "Dutch country." I remember a walking trip he described, which took him to the Union Church at Trappe to Grater-Ford and from thence to the home of his old friend, Judge Pennypacker, at Schwenksville. I also remember a trip he and Judge Pennypacker made to their mutual friend, Abraham H. Cassel, to pay their respects to this most lovable man, upon a recent birthday.

It was at the 175th anniversary of the First Reformed Church of Philadelphia, held at his own church, where I last saw him. There he was the active spirit of the celebration, proud of his church's achievements, alive to its needs, conscious of its honored position. I see him now standing in the midst, and towering above, a group of congratulating admirers; his robust form, appearing the embodiment of health, and giving promise of years of good service and honor stretching out before him.

His hearty manner and kindly face I shall not soon forget, and privileged was he who, touching his charming personality, and who favored by the sunshine of his cheering nature, discovered within the blessings transmitted through many generations, and certifying to the genuineness of the original stock.

E. C. J.

Germantown, January 11, 1903.

From the *Norristown Daily Herald*, Monday, January 12, 1903; Mr. Ellwood Roberts, associate editor.

The death of Henry S. Dotterer, just as he and his friends expected that he was about to enter upon a new career of honor and usefulness at Harrisburg, fills many minds with regret which ordinary language is entirely inadequate to express. He was an earnest student; a successful worker in whatever he undertook, but especially in the line of historical research, in which he was thoroughly at home; an honest and conscientious citizen, and a faithful friend.

Born in this county sixty-one years ago, he had not lived out anything like the full measure of his usefulness, judging by ordinary experience. Anyone would have imagined who gave the matter a thought, that there was still reserved for him a score or more of years for useful labor such as he knew how to do so well. It is another lesson on the uncertainty of human life, that Mr. Dotterer should have passed away so soon, struck down in the very midst of a successful and honorable career.

A native of Montgomery county, and a descendant of one of its oldest German families, Mr. Dotterer's pursuits took him to Philadelphia, where he became involved in the complications of active business life, but the memory of his early home still lingered with him. How he remembered it is shown in the patient, painstaking work he has done in his "Perkiomen Region." In this publication, undertaken not for pecuniary profit but for the purpose of gathering up the scattered threads of family history that nothing of value might be lost, he has preserved much that will be appreciated by the historian of the future. His excellent work in this direction often gave rise to expression of regret that no one could be found to perform a similar service for other sections of the county. Never will that interesting portion of Montgomery find another historian so learned, so accurate, and so unselfish as he.

When Governor Pennypacker ignored the ordinary rule of making the appointment of Private Secretary a matter of political significance, and conferred the position on his worthy friend, everybody felt that a most excellent choice had been made, and one that would prove the selection to be fully justified. His ability, his fidelity and his sagacity would have rendered his services extremely valuable in the new capacity. It was not to be, however. That mysterious influence which men call fate had decreed otherwise, and he who was to have been the close friend and the trusted adviser of the Executive of the state at Harrisburg, has passed from time to eternity so quickly that the blow may be said to have been literally without warning.

In bidding farewell forever to a personality so modest and unassuming, so courteous, and so thoroughly lovable, it is a consolation to reflect that the influence of such a life is never wholly lost. The memory of such is blessed, and a life like his will continue on its mission of usefulness to humanity, long after the form of him who was the embodiment of kindness and goodness shall have crumbled into dust.

Many daily and weekly papers throughout the State gave notices of Mr. Dotterer's recent appointment and of his death.

The Philadelphia dailies that gave extended notices were: *The Ledger*, *Press*, *Inquirer*, *Evening Bulletin*, *Evening Telegraph*, *Record*, *North American*, *Item* and *German Demokrat*.

*“So live, that, when thy summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry-slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who draws the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.”*

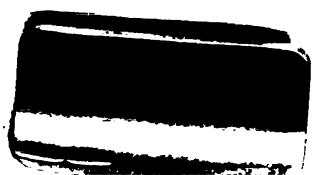
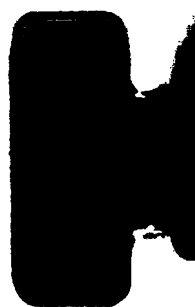
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